## FIFTY-SEVENTH DAY

(Friday, April 18, 1941)

The House met at 10:00 o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Speaker Leonard.

The roll of the House was called, and the following Members were present:

Goodman Mr. Speaker Halsev Allen Hanna Allison Hardeman Alsup Harris of Dallas Avant Harris of Hill Bailey Hartzog Baker Heflin Bean Helpinstill Bell Henderson Benton Hileman Blankenship Hobbs Brawner Howard Bridgers Howington Brown Hoyo Bruhl Huddleston Bullock Huffman Bundy Hughes Burkett Humphrey Burnaman Hutchinson Carlton Isaacks Carrington Jones Cato Kelly Celaya Kennedy Clark Kersey Cleveland Kinard Coker King Colson, Mrs. Klingeman Connelly Knight Craig Lansberry Crossley Lehman Crosthwait Leyendecker Daniel Lock Davis Love Deen Lowry Dickson of Bexar Lucas Dickson of Nolan Lyle Donald McAlister Dove McCann Duckett McDonald Dwyer McGlasson Ellis McLellan Eubank McMurry Evans McNamara Favors Manford Ferguson Manning Files Markle Fitzgerald Matthews

Mills

Moore

Montgomery

Morgan Sharpe Morris Shell Morse Skiles Murray Smith of Bastrop Nicholson Smith of Atascosa Pace Spacek Parker Spangler Pevehouse Stanford Phillips Stinson Price Stubbs Rampy Thornton Reed of Bowie Turner Reed of Dallas Vale Ridgeway Walters Rhodes Wattner Roark Weatherford Roberts  ${f White}$ Sallas Whitesides Senterfitt Winfree

#### Absent-Excused

Anderson Little
Boone Martin
Bray Simpson
Chambers Taylor
Gilmer Voigt
Hargis

A quorum was announced present.

Prayer was offered by Rev. George W. Coltrin, Chaplain, as follows:

"Our Heavenly Father, we thank Thee for Thy goodness to us in so many ways. Made in Thine image, help us to carry that image worthily. World conditions reveal the results of the selfish ambitions of evil men. Lord guide us, our State, and our country aright in these times. For Jesus' sake. Amen."

## L'EAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED

The following Members were granted leaves of absence on account of important business:

Mr. Hargis for today on motion of Mr Fitzgerald.

Mr. Simpson for today on motion of Mr. McAlister.

Mr. Bray for today on motion of Mr. Dickson of Nolan.

Mr. Voigt for today on motion of Mr. Skiles.

Mr. Boone for today on motion of Mr. Goodman,

Mr. Gilmer for today on motion of Mr. Stinson.

Fuchs

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Mr. Chambers for today on motion of Mr. Howington.

Mr. Anderson for today account of important State business, on motion of Mr. Winfree.

Mr. Taylor for today on account of military service, on motion of Mr. Klingeman.

Mr. Martin for today on account of illness, on motion of Mr. McGlasson.

## PROVIDING FOR JOINT SESSION OF THE LEGISLATURE

Mr. Celaya offered the following resolution:

H. C. R. No. 97, Providing for Joint Session of the Legislature to hear address of Governor W. Lee O'Daniel.

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the two Houses meet in joint session at 10:30 on the morning of Friday, April 18, 1941, for the purpose of hearing an address by his Excellency, Governor W. Lee O'Daniel.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

## EXTENDING INVITATION OF THE HOUSE

Mr. Evans offered the following resolution:

H. S. R. No. 213, Extending Invitation of the House.

Whereas, Members of the Legislative Agricultural Subcommittee and numerous other members of the 47th Legislature heard a number of Future Farmers of America and 4-H Club members in a special meeting in the High School Auditorium at Denison, Saturday, April 12, 1941;

Whereas, A number of boys and girls upon whom the future prosperity and future ideals and future policies of Texas will depend were present and participated in the program, delivering orations on suggested legislative improvements for agriculture in this State; and

Whereas, Texas is a great agricultural empire, and the members of

ested in the views, ideals, and aspirations of the young people of this State and desire to encourage them in their worthy activities, and believe it would be informative to this Legislature as to the line of thought and viewpoint of the young people of Texas to hear the orations of the two boys, Fred Fink and T. L. Taylor, and the two girls, Miss Betty K. Russell and Alta Frances, who were as having delivered selected most outstanding orations at the above mentioned meeting at Denison; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the time of this Legislature, at 2:00 o'clock p. m., Monday, April 28, 1941, be devoted to hearing the boys and the girls whose orations were pronounced as the most outstanding as above mentioned, and that such boys and such girls each be and are hereby invited to visit this Legislature and to deliver for the edification of this body the interesting addresses they delivered at said meeting in Denison; and further, be it

Resolved, That the Chairman of Legislative Agricultural Committee be and he is hereby instructed to convey this invitation to said boys and to said girls, with the compliments of this legislative body.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

## COMMENDING THE COTTON GINNERS OF TEXAS

Mr. Fuchs offered the following resolution:

H. C. R. No. 95, Commending the Cotton Ginners of Texas.

Whereas, Cotton has in the past and does today constitute the greatest source of income to Texas farmers, and serves to provide employment for many of our people and otherwise gives strength state's economic structure, and

manufacturing, Whereas,  $\mathbf{Many}$ processing and distributing agencies, such as cotton seed oil mills, grain dealers are using bags and other containers made of material which might well be made of cotton, and

Whereas, Some cotton ginners are now using cotton bagging instead of imported jute wrapping in an effort this Legislature are greatly inter-to increase cotton consumption, and Whereas, We are constantly on the lookout for new and increased uses for cotton in an effort to add to the income of Texas cotton farmers and the increase of the income of the whole of the people of the State, now therefore

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That we commend the cotton ginners of Texas for their efforts to bring about a wider use of cotton bagging and thus create a greater demand for the State's greatest cash crop, and also for the passage of a resolution at their recent annual convention held in the City of San Antonio expressing their desire and willingness to continue their efforts along such lines, and

Be it further resolved, That we call upon and urge the grain dealers of this State and the operators of cotton seed oil mills, flour mills and other manufacturing and distributing agencies to lend their support to the greatest cotton consumption program when it is at all practical to do so, and

Be it further resolved, That farmers and livestock people throughout the State are urged to demand that manufacturers, processors and distributers of food and feed products pack their commodities in cotton bags and/or containers, and

Be it further resolved, That we commend the efforts of the National Cotton Council, and the Texas division thereof, for the very effective work they have done and are now doing to increase the consumption of cotton.

FUCHS,
FILES,
MOORE,
SHARPE,
DEEN,
HOWINGTON,
CHAMBERS,
EVANS,
HUDDLESTON,
BURKETT,
BAILEY.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

(Mr. McGlasson in the Chair.)

## AUTHORIZING THE LOAN OF CERTAIN HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT

Mr. Clark offered the following resolution:

H. C. R. No. 96, Authorizing the Loan of Certain Highway Equipment.

Whereas, The State Highway Department of Texas has a large quantity of discarded guard wire in Palo Pinto and other nearby counties and within the Highway district which includes Palo Pinto County; and

Whereas, The city of Mineral Wells is greatly in need of some of this discarded wire for purposes of protecting the fish life of Lake Mineral Wells; and

Whereas, Some of this discarded wire could be used to build a protective net at the gates of this lake; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives of Texas, the Senate concurring, That the State Highway Department of Texas be authorized to lend to the above-mentioned city sufficient quantities of the discarded wire hereinabove mentioned to enable them to provide the needed wire for this lake; the said wire to be returned to the State Highway Department if and when requested.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

(Speaker in the Chair.)

## AUTHORIZING THE LOAN OF CERTAIN HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT

Mr. Dove offered the following resolution:

H. C. R. No. 98, Authorizing the Loan of Certain Highway Equipment

Whereas, The State Highway Department of Texas has a rock crusher and certain other equipment in Limestone County and in other adjacent counties which equipment is not being used; and

Whereas, The City of Groesbeck is presently engaged in certain city improvements on and adjoining

Highway No. 14 in said city in connection with which it is considered necessary to use some of this equipment; and which improvements may be available for use to the public generally by reason of their public nature and location upon said Highway No. 14; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the State Highway Department of Texas be authorized to lend the City of Groesbeck said rock crusher hereinabove mentioned and such other discarded equipment as may be available for the purpose above set out; said City of Groesbeck to return such equipment upon request of the State Highway Department of the State of Texas, and it is so resolved.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

## DESIGNATING A CENTENNIAL OF STATEHOOD COMMISSION

The Speaker laid before the House, for consideration at this time, the following resolution:

H. S. R. No. 187, by Mr. Carrington, Designating a Centennial of Statehood Commissioner.

The resolution having heretofore been read second time and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

The Committee on State Affairs having recommended the adoption of the resolution.

The resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Carrington moved to reconsider the vote by which the resolution was adopted, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

## MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Austin, Texas, April 18, 1941. Hon. Homer Leonard, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed the following:

H. B. No. 78, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for agreements between the Commissioners Court of

any county in this State, relative to resettlement of rural rehabilitation projects; etc.; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 80, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the employment in certain counties of two (2) rural school supervisors; etc.; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 110, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create and dedicate a State Park in the County of Cherokee, etc.; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 205, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend subject matter embraced in Section 1, Section 25, Section 31, Section 32, Section 36, Section 57, and Section 65 of H. B. No. 407; etc.; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 235, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 6 of Senate Bill No. 481, being Chapter 185 of the Acts of the Forty-second Legislature, Regular Session, page 311 (1931); appropriating examination fees provided for in said Act to Special Land Board for the purpose of defraying all expenses incident to the enforcement of said Act; etc.; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 247, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 6078 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, so as to fix the number and extent of county parks; and declaring an emergency." (With amendments.)

H. B. No. 286, A bill to be entitled "An Act requiring employers to protect the contractual and/or seniority rights of employees entering military service, or seeking, or appointed to, or elected to public office; etc.; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 288, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the County Commissioners of any county having a County Court at Law to appoint an official interpreter for the County Court at Law in such county; etc.; and declaring an emergency." (With amendments.)

H. B. No. 295, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 19, subsection h, of Senate Bill No. 5, Acts

of the Forty-fourth Legislature, Second Called Session, affecting the appointment and salaries of deputies in the offices of District Clerks in certain counties; and declaring an emergency."

### Adopted

H. C. R. No. 97, Providing for a Joint Session of the House and Senate to hear His Excellency, Hon. W. Lee O'Daniel.

#### Passed

- H. B. No. 371, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing independent school districts and cities which have assumed the control of public schools situated therein to build or purchase buildings and grounds located within or without the district or city, for the purpose of constructing gymnasia, stadia, or other recreational facilities, etc.; and declaring an emergency."
- H. B. No. 398, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1107, Title 28, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1925, as amended by Acts of the Forty-second Legislature, Chapter 250, page 417, adding Section 6, providing that a city or town shall have the right of eminent domain to condemn private property for the purpose of digging or drilling thereon water wells, etc.; and declaring an emergency."
- H. B. No. 405, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending the Lower Colorado River Authority Act,' Chapter 7, Acts of the Fourth Called Session, Forty-third Legislature, by adding a new section to be known as Section 3a, to provide that Directors of the Authority who shall be appointed subsequent to the effective date of this Act shall be residents of and freehold property taxpayers of the comprising counties the district known as the Lower Colorado River Authority, etc.; and declaring an emergency." (With amendments.)
- H. B. No. 434, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to marks and brands of live stock in Austin County only; etc.; and declaring an emergency." (With amendments.)

H. B. No. 855, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing (1) an open season for quail in Henderson County from December 1 in one year to January 16 in the following year, both days inclusive, etc.; and declaring an emergency."

## Adopted

- H. C. R. No. 59, Providing for a monthly allowance in the grants given to old age assistance recipients for the specific purpose of paying for burial insurance policies.
- H. C. R. No. 67, Granting permission to J. L. Kelley and wife to bring suit against the State. (With amendments.)
- H. C. R. No. 68, Granting Dr. J. R. Nichols and wife permission to sue the State. (With amendments.)

#### Passed

- H. B. No. 359, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 392, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas of 1925, providing that loans insured by the Federal Housing Administration may be available to the public affected thereby; and declaring an emergency." (With amendments.)
- H. B. No. 489, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that in counties having a population of not less than thirty-one thousand, five hundred (31,500) and not more than thirty-two thousand, according to the last preceding Federal Census, etc.; and declaring an emergency."
- H. B. No. 529, A bill to be entitled "An Act fixing the compensation of County Commissioners in all counties with a population of not less than twenty-thousand, three hundred, nor more than twenty thousand, four hundred and sixty inhabitants, etc.; and declaring an emergency."
- H. B. No. 631, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Chapter 10, Special Laws Forty-fourth Legislature, Regular Session, as amended in House Bill No. 30, 'Title: Stock Laws,' Chapter 1, Acts of the Forty-sixth Legislature, Regular Session, making Clay County eligible to the provisions of this Act."

H. B. No. 749, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 1, House Bill No. 320, Chapter 268, page 396, Acts of the Regular Session of the Fortieth Legislature, as amended by Section 1, House Bill No. 836, Chapter 227, page 381, Acts of the Fortysecond Legislature, so as to provide means by which the soldiers stationed in Texas under the National Defense Act, and others may be permitted to enjoy fishing in salt water without the payment of nonresident fishing license and artificial lure license; and declaring an emergency.'

H. B. No. 804, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for issuing refunding bonds where the original bonds are now owned by two or more school entities, including common school districts, independent school districts, and cities which have assumed control of their schools or which constitute independent school districts; and declaring an emergency." (With amendments.)

H. B. No. 593, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the appointment by the District Judge of the Sixteenth Judicial District of Texas, of an official shorthand reporter for such district, etc.; and declaring an emergency." (With amendments.)

S. B. No. 215, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 438 of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, 1925, so as to provide that the Nepotism Law shall not apply in cases where the person employed or working has been so engaged and actually serving at least two years, etc.; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 369, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 88, page 189, Special Laws, 42nd Legislature, Regular Session, 1931, to empower and authorize certain counties to establish, own and operate a parental home and school for the training of dependent and delinquent youth resident of that county or city; and declaring an emergency.'

S. B. No. 417, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 637 of the Penal Code of Texas so that the same shall read as hereinafter stated, and providing for the destruction of gambling equipment and Stevenson called the Senate to order

paraphernalia by order of the court; etc.; and declaring an emergency.'

S. B. No. 432, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 8 of House Bill No. 266, Chapter 4, Acts 1935, 44th Legislature, Regular Session, page 11, as amended by Section 1 of House Bill No. 82, Chapter 34, Acts of 1937, 45th Legislature, Second Called Session, page 1915, etc.; and declaring an emergency."

Senate grants the request of the House for the return of Senate Bill No. 65, and the bill is herewith returned.

Respectfully,

BOB BARKER, Secretary of the Senate.

COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO ES-CORT GOVERNOR W. LEE O'DANIEL TO SPEAKER'S STAND

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following committee to escort Governor W. Lee O'Daniel to the Speaker's stand:

Messrs. Daniel, Goodman, Favors, Davis and Price.

ADDRESS BY GOVERNOR W. LEE O'DANIEL

(In Joint Session)

In accordance with the provisions of House Concurrent Resolution No. 97, adopted by the House and Senate on this morning for the purpose of hearing His Excellency, Governor W. Lee O'Daniel, at 10:30 o'clock a. m., today, the Honorable Senators escorted by Hon. Bob Barker, Secretary of the Senate, were announced at the bar of the House and being duly admitted were escorted to seats prepared for them along the aisle.

Governor Lieutenant Stevenson was escorted to a seat on the Speaker's stand.

Honorable W. Lee O'Daniel, and party, escorted by Messrs. Daniel, Goodman, Favors, Davis, and Price, Committee on the part of the House, were announced at the bar of the House and being admitted were escorted to seats on the Speaker's stand.

L'ieutenant Governor Coke and stated that the two Houses were in joint session for the purpose of hearing Governor W. Lee O'Daniel.

The Lieutenant Governor directed the clerk to call the roll of the Senate.

The roll of the Senate was called and the following Senators were present:

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## Absent-Excused

### Spears

A quorum of the Senate was announced present.

Speaker Homer Leonard called the House to order and directed the Clerk to call the roll of the House.

The roll of the House was called and the following Members were present:

Mr. Speaker Coker Allen Colson, Mrs. Allison Connelly Alsup Craig Avant Crossley Bailey Crosthwait Baker Daniel Rell Davis Benton Deen Blankenship Dickson of Bexar Brawner Dickson of Nolan Bridgers Donald Brown Dove Bruhl Duckett Bullock Dwyer Bundy Ellis Burkett Eubank Evans Carlton Carrington Favors Ferguson Cato Celaya Files Clark Fitzgerald

Fuchs McNamara Gandy Manford Garland Manning Goodman Markle Matthews Halsey Mills Hanna Montgomery Hardeman Harris of Dallas Moore Harris of Hill Morgan Hartzog Morris Heflin Morse Murray Helpinstill Henderson Nicholson Hileman Pace Hobbs Parker Pevehouse Howard Howington **Phillips** Hoyo Price Huddleston Rampy Reed of Bowie Huffman Hughes Reed of Dallas Humphrey Ridgeway Hutchinson Rhodes Isaacks Roark Jones Roberts Kelly Sallas Senterfitt Kennedy Kersey Sharpe Kinard Shell Skiles King Klingeman Smith of Bastrop Knight Smith of Atascosa Lansberry Spacek Lehman Spangler Leyendecker Stanford Lock Stinson Love Stubbs Lowry Thornton Lucas Turner Vale Lyle McAlister Walters McCann Wattner McDonald Weatherford McGlasson White McLellan Whitesides McMurry Winfree

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#### Absent—Excused

Anderson	Little
Boone	Martin
Bray	Simpson
Chambers	Taylor
Gilmer	Voigt
Hargis	

A quorum of the House was announced present.

Speaker Leonard then presented Honorable Price Daniel who presented Governor W. Lee O'Daniel to the Joint Session.

Governor O'Daniel then addressed the Joint Session as follows:

April 18, 1941.

To the Members of the Forty-seventh Legislature:

Today I desire to give you some important statistical information which may be of some benefit to you in deciding a very important matter now before you, namely, the abolition of a practice which is in direct violation of God's Commandment, "Thou Shalt Not Kill."

I shall read to you a sermon delivered by one of our foremost students and authorities on religious history, Dr. M. E. Sadler, Pastor of the Central Christian Church of Austin, Texas:

Sermon on Capital Punishment

Preached by Dr. M. E. Sadler at Central Christian Church, Austin, Texas, Sunday, March 5, 1939.

As a part of the Sermon on the Mount Jesus said, "You have heard, 'An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth,' but I say unto you, . . . "

It is our firm conviction that no problem in life is foreign to religion, and certainly any question which deals with the life and death of human beings is basically a religious question. I am, therefore, happy this morning to comply with many requests and preach on the subject of capital punishment.

I believe that many of you know that I would not approach any discussion such as this without a very careful examination of the most authoritative and helpful studies and sources available.

The people gathered in this sanctuary might be divided into three groups,-there are those who are opposed to capital punishment,-those who are in favor of it,—and those who have never bothered to think about it very much, but just accept it as a matter of course, without any

In the course of this sermon I may express my personal opinion concerning the matter, but I assure you that will be a very incidental part of the sermon. What I happen to believe about it is relatively unimportant, but the chief desire back of this sermon and the burden of this message will be to bring to our minds the essential, constructive, Christian principles, which we ought to have in mind as we face this important question.

May I begin by calling to our attention some important facts with which many of you are already quite familiar.

Not many generations ago capital punishment in very horrible forms was universally practiced,—today its use is greatly restricted. At least sixteen foreign countries have abolished it, twelve States in the United States,—it is optional with the Court and the Jury in twenty-four States,it is the compulsory penatly for certain crimes in twelve of our States. Its use has been greatly restricted during the past two centuries. example, in 1780 two hundred and punishable by forty crimes were death in England, including unlawful fishing and hunting, and destroy-In the Colonial ing growing trees. days here in America from ten to seventeen crimes were punishable by death, including the rebellion of a son against his father if the son were 16 years of age or more,—witchcraft, blasphemy, etc.

It has not only been increasingly restricted in its use but the methods have been increasingly refined. has not been so long since capital punishment was practiced in the most terrible way imaginable. Even in Colonial days in this country there was the burning alive at the stake, vast public hangings. However, most of those practices have been done away now. We have private executions, electrocutions, gas and more modified and refined methods of carrying out this practice.

When I began the study of this important question I brought to that study certain definite assumptions. I had an opinion about it and I had certain definite assumptions. decided opinion one way or the other. of those assumptions was that what-

ever else we might say about capital punishment, at least it served to deter people from crime. In all honesty, I must say to you this morning that the facts which I was able to discover did not substantiate that assumption. I looked at the records over a period of ten years in states which have abolished capital punishment and which have not, and I picked out several comparable states in the same section of our country and I found, for example, that in Maine, without capital punishment, the homicide rate is 1.8 per 100,000 population, while in Connecticut with capital punishment, the homicide rate is 3.2 per 100,000. Then I examined figures over a ten-year period in other comparable states and noticed that in Kansas, for example, without capital punishment, the homicide rate is 6.2, while in Missouri, with capital punishment, the homicide rate is 9.1. I discovered that over a ten-year period that as a matter of fact, the states which have capital punishment are the states which have the highest rate of mur-I was turned, therefore, from my first assumption that capital punishment deters people from crime, not as a matter of opinion, but as a matter of fact. There seems to be no justification for the assumption that capital punishment does deter people from crime.

My next assumption was that at least capital punishment serves to reduce lynchings, and I examined as carefully as I could the facts with reference to that point and I looked at the history of states which do and do not have capital punishment and tried to pick out comparable states. Two of the states in the middle west that join each other, very comparable in population, over a period of 28 years, the state which does not have capital punishment had one lynching, and the state which does have capital punishment had 65 lynchings. studied the history of five states before and after they abolished capital punishment and I discovered that the states had a higher rate of lynchings before they abolished capital punishment than they had after they abolished it. Actually, my friends, and many of you know this to be true general knowledge, the states in the not worthy of me, as a Christian United States which most rigorously gentleman. It is not the basis on

enforce capital punishment are the states which have the most lynchings.

Capital punishment does not permit any corrections in error of judgment. I do not care to dwell on this, because in my opinion, Courts are becoming increasingly efficient. I wholeheartedly believe in our Courts. I know that they are just as intelligent and just as careful as they can possibly be, but yet the fact is, and the people of the Courts would be the first to say this, that the judgment of the Court is not infallible. You will recall to minds certain definite and notable illustrations of this,—perhaps some of you may remember the famous Leo Franks case of Georgia, or the Rosenthal case of New York, or the Dr. Hamilton case of Kentucky, in which people were convicted and executed for crimes for which they were later found to be innocent. As a matter of fact the execution of innocent people led to the abolition of capital punishment in several states.

So much for these facts which I think we ought to have before us.

I am concerned this morning with the basic foundations and principles involved. Why, my friends,—why should we have any punishment prac-I think we all, in our saner tices? moments, and certainly as Christians, are forced to dismiss as unworthy the thought of retaliation, of getting even, "An eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth." If someone hits me, I will hit him,—if someone says something mean about me, I will say something meaner about him. The animal in us moves on that level, and no one of us is entirely free from it, and yet in our saner moments we know that it is not the best way and certainly we know it is not the Christian way. Not only the teachings of Jesus but the whole trend of His life lead in exactly the opposite direction. said that according to the teachings of Jesus we should overcome evil with good. No matter what my natural inclinations may be, no matter what I may say whenever I am aroused, in my saner moments know, just as every person here this morning knows, that retaliation is

which I, as an individual, or we, as a group, can project our living.

It seems to me that there are three legitimate functions of punishment practice; the first is to serve as a warning and as a deterrent fromThe facts that Dr. Raymond crime. Bye of the University of Pennsylvania assembled in his study, "Capital Punishment in the United States," led him to the significant conclusion, and I wish that I might emphasize it sufficiently this morning, the deterrent effect of law depends not upon the particular kind of penalty, but upon the efficiency with which the law is executed. In the judgment of many informed people with whom I have talked, the reason our crime rate is seven times, and our murder rate twenty times that of England is because of the efficiency with which their criminals are brought to trial and sentenced. The possibility not being caught, and the greater possibility of long-drawn-out legal maneuvers are two of the most conducive factors to crime in the United at the present time. there is one additional factor which in all fairness ought to be mentioned Those who have in this connection. had most experience in the Courts will be the first to recognize that the existence of capital punishment hinders the speedy trial and execution of the law. Ask any prosecutor whether or not it is easy to get a verdict of guilt if the penalty And we do not have just to death! guess at this. In the States in the United States, and I am giving you definite figures now,-in the States which have abolished capital punishment, of those who are indicted for murder, 30% are convicted; in the States which have not abolished capital punishment, of those who are indicted for murder, only 20% of them are convicted.

The second function of punishment practices is to remove from society those who constitute a menace and danger to its welfare and orderly life,-all countries, and all States in the United States recognize the ne-There are individcessity of this. uals who for various reasons have become dangerous to society. have become anti-social, warped and exceedingly dangerous, and it is wise for society to provide ways to re-|group that Jesus never intended to-

move such individuals from the normal areas of life,—to do something with them which will eliminate their dangers to society. One way of doing this is through capital punish-But as demonstrated in many ment. foreign countries and in several States, there are other effective and satisfactory ways. Capital punishment cannot be justified onthis ground since there are other effective ways of accomplishing the pur-These other ways pose. more effective today than they have ever been before.

I say to you that the most fundamental, and in our saner moments, we know that the most fundamental purpose of all punishment practices By placing the inis reformation. dividual in a controlled situation where he will not have the possibility of practicing his habit of crime. carefully examining his life to determine if possible the causes, the mental, the physical, and the environmental causes, of his crime. (If I had time this morning, I would like to pause and pay tribute to the start which has been made in Texas direction.)  $\mathbf{B}\mathbf{y}$ this through constructive work and intelligent guidance to re-organize the person's life, his attitude, actions You know that it can and desires. be done. If you question the possibility of it on a vast scale, then read, if you please, the writings of men like Mr. Z. R. Brockway, and Mr. Thomas Osbourne of New York, and Dr. M. Liepmann, Professor of Law at the University of Kiel, or Warden Towne of Wisconsin. Read their writings and be amazed at the number of persons who have been reformed and have come out as constructive, wholesome, desirable citizens in our society.

But I come to the approach which I think we have to make as Chris-In approaching tians this morning. this problem we must do so on the background of our Christian ideal-

Many of you probably have been surprised that I have said nothing at all about the Old Testament commandment, "Thou shalt not kill," but I do not think it would be difficult to prove to any thoughtful

do away with those Old Testament commandments,-He did intend to give them a deeper meaning and a broader scope.

But entirely aside from any legalistic commandment, we can look at the recognized ideals and teachings of Christ which have a definite bearing on this problem.

Take for example, Christ's constant emphasis concerning the infinite worth of human personality. Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick rightly says that this is the most unique contribution of Jesus Christ to the religious life of the world. taught more clearly than He taught most anything else that man is a child of God, created in the image of God, sharing the life of God,human beings-weak, imperfect, sinful human beings are persons for whom Jesus Christ thought it worthwhile to die. Think that through, my friends, and then decide for yourselves what that means with reference to capital punishment.

Christ built His whole program on the possibility of transforming and reforming human life. He called about Him a group of ordinary, most ordinary and most unpromising men. He did that because He believed in the possibility of transformation and reformation in human life. He mingled with sinful people and wicked people and He welcomed them because He believed in the possibility of their transformation. Jesus believed that it is possible for a person to live a good life even for those in the most abject, sinful condition. Apart from this belief, there is not the slightest hope in the Christian message. Our religious life all falls in with the belief in the possibility of transforming and reforming human life—weak, sinful, wicked human life, and unless we, as Christians, have that clearly in our minds as we make our decisions concerning the practical details of life, then, by so much, we are failing to be truly Christians.

As I observed a moment ago, Christ thrusts aside as unworthy the thought of retribution.

"You have heard.

"An eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth, but I say unto you. . . . "

allow the animal to dominate my life, when I project myself on the of getting even-doing somebody else something as bad as they have done to me-when I project my life on that level, no matter what I may say about it, no matter what my inclinations may be, down in my heart I know, just as every Christian knows, that I am not being Christlike. "An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth" will not do.

But His example and His constant teachings concerning constructive measures in the building of life, it seems to me, provide us with our most constructive clue as we approach this mighty problem of crime in our own country.

Here me, my friends, for just a moment now. I believe I am saying something that is just as fundamental as could be said, in the life of our nation, or from the viewpoint of We reap what we sow. a Christian. The problem of crime in the United States is not going to be solved by the imposition of any kind of severe penalty—the problem of crime in the United States is going to be solved only when we stop producing criminals, by eliminating the conditions which produce them. No normal person is born a criminal, and if he is abnormal he needs treatment, not Normal men punishment. women learn to be criminals according to the same law by which they learn to be constructive, would wholesome men and women, if we cared enough to surround them with constructive influences and forces which would make their lives wholesome and constructive.

The appalling fact, the shameful fact is that while we, in the United States, are paying more than thirteen billion dollars annually for crime, the churches and the public schools are playing at the job of developing moral and religious character.

I pray that the time may soon come when we will abandon what seems to me to be the wholly unfounded notion that we can curb crime if we maintain sufficiently severe penalties, and supplant that with the constructive conviction that I know perfectly well that when I we can eliminate crime only as we

eliminate the causes which produce criminals.

Men always have, they always will, reap what they sow.

We all know there have been cases of innocent persons being executed. Suppose your son or daughter or other loved one might be caught in this net and pay such an awful price on account of this law now on our statute books? I hope it shall never come home to any of you

come home to any of you.

When a human life is taken by such a mistake that is a grave mistake that can never be corrected.

I am serious in this matter, and am speaking for some poor, unfortunate, innocent person who might get caught, and who would lack finances or friends to plead his case. I am pleading for the life of the unknown man—perhaps a dear relative of someone who now listens. Such is in the realm of possibility under our existing law. I am also pleading for the obedience of God's law—"Thou shalt not kill."

Last night on a radio news cast the Secretary of War made a strong statement relative to the absolute necessity of strengthening our Spiritual defenses. It appears to me that this is a good opportunity for the Great State of Texas to again lead the way in Spiritual Re-armament by throwing off this barbarous relic of the dark ages, and at least try God's Rules for a time.

Respectfully submitted, W. Lee O'Daniel, Governor of Texas.

#### SENATE RETIRES

At the Conclusion of the Address the Senate at 11:00 o'clock a. m. retired to its Chamber.

(Mr. Lowry in the Chair.)

(Speaker in the Chair.)

## SENATE BILLS ON FIRST READING

The following Senate bills, received from the Senate today, were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

S. B. No. 432, to the Committee on Judicial Districts.

- S. B. No. 417, to the Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.
- S. B. No. 369, to the Committee on Counties.
- S. B. No. 215, to the Committee on State Affairs.

## BILL ORDERED PRINTED ON MINORITY REPORT

Mr. Kelly moved that House Bill No. 443, reported adversely with a minority favorable report, be printed.

(Mr. Blankenship in the Chair.)

Mr. Coker moved to table the motion by Mr. Kelly.

The motion to table was lost.

Question then recurring on the motion to print House Bill No. 443 on minority report, yeas and nays were demanded.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-70

Huddleston Allison Bailey Kelly Kennedy Baker Kersey **Bridgers** King Brown Klingeman Bullock Knight Burkett Lehman Carrington Levendecker Cato Cleveland Lock Love Craig Crossley Lucas Lyle Davis McCann Deen Dickson of Bexar McGlasson Dickson of Nolan McLellan McMurry Dove Manford Eubank Evans Manning Favors Markle Ferguson Matthews Files Moore Fitzgerald Pace Fuchs Parker Pevehouse Gandy Goodman Rampy Halsey Reed of Bowie Hanna Ridgeway Rhodes Harris of Hill Helpinstill Roark Roberts Hobbs Senterfitt Hoyo

Smith of Bastrop Spacek Stubbs Turner White Whitesides

## Nays—56

Alsup Avant Bell Benton Brawner Bundy Burnaman Carlton Jones
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Carlton Celaya Clark

Coker

Montgomery Morgan Morris Nicholson Phillips

Daniel Duckett

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Smith of Atascosa

Hartzog Heflin Henderson

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Hileman Howington Hughes Humphrey

Walters Wattner Weatherford

Hutchinson Isaacks

Winfree

#### Absent

Allen Bean Bruhl Colson, Mrs. Donald

Dwyer

Howard Huffman Morse Murray Vale

## Absent—Excused

Anderson Boone Bray Chambers Gilmer Hargis Little Martin Simpson Taylor Voigt

Mr. White moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was printed on minority report, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

(Speaker in the Chair.)

## BILL ORDERED NOT PRINTED

On motion of Mr. Matthews, Senate Bill No. 432 was ordered not printed.

## SENATE BILL NO. 432 ON SECOND READING

Mr. Matthews moved that the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and that Senate Bill No. 432 be placed on its second reading and passage to third reading, and on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-128

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Allen Allison Alsup Avant Bailey Baker Bean Bell Benton Blankenship Brawner **Bridgers** Brown Bruhl Bullock Bundy Burkett Burnaman Carlton Carrington Cato Celaya Clark Cleveland Coker Colson, Mrs. Connelly

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## Absent

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Donald Hoyo
Dwyer Kelly
Garland Stinson
Henderson Stubbs
Howard Vale

#### Absent-Excused

Anderson Little
Boone Martin
Bray Simpson
Chambers Taylor
Gilmer Voigt
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The Speaker then laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to third reading,

S. B. No. 432, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 8 of House Bill No. 266, Chapter 4, Acts 1935, 44th Legislature, Regular Session, page 11, as amended by Section 1 of House Bill No. 82, Chapter 34, Acts of 1937, 45th Legislature, Second Called Session, page 1915, etc.; and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to third reading.

## SENATE BILL NO. 432 ON THIRD READING

The Speaker then laid Senate Bill No. 432 before the House on third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

## Yeas-128

Allen Alsup Allison Avant Bailey Baker Bean Bell Benton Blankenship Brawner Bridgers Brown Bruhl Bullock Bundy Burkett Burnaman Carlton Carrington Cato Celaya Clark Cleveland Coker Colson, Mrs. Connelly Craig Crossley Crosthwait Daniel Davis Deen Dickson of Bexar Dickson of Nolan Dove Duckett Ellis Eubank Evans Favors Ferguson Files Fitzgerald Fuchs Gandy Goodman Halsey Hanna Hardeman Harris of Dallas Harris of Hill Hartzog Heflin Helpinstill Hileman Hobbs Howington Huddleston Huffman Hughes

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Winfree

#### Absent

Donald Hoyo Dwyer Kelly Garland Stinson Henderson Stubbs Howard Vale

#### Absent—Excused

Anderson Little Boone Martin Brav Simpson Chambers Taylor Gilmer Voigt Hargis

## HOUSE BILL NO. 25 ON SECOND READING

The Speaker laid before House, as special order, on its second reading and passage to engrossment.

H. B. No. 25, A bill to be entitled Act amending Chapter 277, Acts of the Regular Session of the Forty-second Legislature as heretofore amended, by adding Sections 1a and 1b hereto; excepting from the definition of 'Motor Carrier' and 'Contract Carrier' certain persons, firms and corporations; exempting certain persons, firms and corporations transporting under certain circonditions their cumstances andown employees, property or property in which they have an interest as consignee or agent; defining a private motor vehicle owner; exempting private motor vehicle owners from said Act; providing for the repeal of all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act; providing that if any section, clause or provisions of this Act be held unconstitutional or invalid, it shall not affect the remaining portions; and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. Bell offered the following committee amendment to the bill:

Amend House Bill No. 25 by striking out all below the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

That Chapter 277, Section 1. Acts of the Regular Session of the Forty-second Legislature of the State of Texas, as heretofore amended, be

adding two new sections at the end of Section 1 thereof, which said new sections shall be known as Section 1a and Section 1b and shall read as follows:

Sec. 1a. (1) Provided, however, that the term "Motor Carrier" and the term "Contract Carrier" as defined in the preceding section shall not be held to include:

- (a) Any person having a regular, separate, fixed and established place of business, other than a transportation business, where wares and merchandise are kept in stock and are primarily and regularly bought from the public or sold to the public or manufactured or processed by such person in the ordinary course of the mercantile, manufacturing or processing business, and who, merely incidental to the operation of such business, transports over the highways of this State such goods of which such person is the bona fide owner by means of a motor vehicle of which such person is the bona fide owner; nor
- transporting (b) Any person farm implements, live stock, livefeedstuffs. dairy products, horticultural products, floral products, agricultural products, or wool and mohair of which such person is the bona fide owner on a vehicle of which he is the bona fide owner to and from the area of production and to and from the market or place of storage thereof; provided, however, if such person (other than a transportation company) has in his possession under a bona fide consignment contract live stock, wool, mohair, milk and cream, fresh fruits and vegetables, as an incident to a separate, fixed and established business conducted by him the said possession shall be deemed ownership under this Act.
- Where merely incidental to (c) a regular, separate, fixed and established business, other than a transportation business, the transportation of employees, petroleum products and incidental supplies used or sold in connection with the wholesale or retail sale of such petroleum products from the refinery or place of production or place of storage to the place of storage or place of sale and distribution to the ultimate conand the same is hereby, amended by | sumer, in a motor vehicle owned and

used exclusively by the marketer or refiner, or owned in whole or in part and used exclusively by the bona fide consignee or agent of such single marketer or refiner; as well as where merely incidental to a regular, separate, fixed and established business, other than a transportation business, the transportation of petroleum, employees, material, supplies and equipment for use in the departments of the petroleum business by the bona fide owner thereof in a vehicle of which he is the bona fide owner; bona fide consignee or agent as used herein being hereby defined and construed, for the purpose of this Act, to mean a person under contract with a single principal to distribute petroleum products in a limited territory and only for such single principal; nor

- Any utility company using its own equipment transporting its own property over the highways.
- (2) The term "person" as used in this Act shall include persons, firms, corporations, companies, copartnerships, or associations or joint stock associations (and their receivers or trustees appointed by any court whatsoever.)

Any person who trans-Sec. 1b. ports goods, wares or merchandise under the circumstances set forth in the foregoing Section 1a so as to be excluded by the terms of said Section from the definition of "motor carrier" or "contract carrier" shall be deemed to be a private motor vehicle owner; and such use of the highways by such private motor vehicle owners as herein defined shall be construed as use of the highways for the general public and not the use of such highways for the carrying on the business of transporting property for compensation or hire.

Sec. 2. If any section, subsection, clause, sentence or phrase of this Act is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Act, and the Legislature hereby declares that it is the purpose hereof to relieve private motor vehicle owners, as herein defined, from the provisions and operations of said Motor Carrier Law as incorporated in said Chapter 277, Acts of the Regular Ses-I transportation of property for com-

sion of the Forty-second Legislature, and amendments thereto.

All laws and parts of laws Sec. 3. in conflict with the provisions of this Act are hereby expressly repealed to the extent of such conflict.

The fact that under the decision of the Supreme Court of Texas, in the case of Smit et al. vs. New Way Lumber Company, 128 Texas 173, 96 S. W. 2nd 282, merchants transporting their own property in their own motor vehicles have been declared to be contract carriers operating in violation of the law, and it being the intention of the Legislature to relieve private motor vehicle owners, as that term is defined in this Act, from the burdens of said decision, and the fact it is impractical for such merchants to comply with the present law with reference to procuring a contract carrier's permit, creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each House and the Constitutional Rule requiring that bills go into force and take effect ninety days after adjournment of the Session, be suspended and said Rules are hereby suspended, and this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Mr. Rhodes moved that House Bill No. 25 be recommitted to the Committee on Highways and Motor Traffic.

Mr. Bell moved to table the motion to recommit.

The motion to table prevailed.

Mr. Rhodes offered the following amendment to the committee amendment:

Amendment Amend Committee No. 1 to House Bill No. 25 by adding between lines 12 and 13 on page 3 of the printed bill a new paragraph to read as follows:

"(3) Nothing in this Act shall ever be construed as exempting any person from the provisions of Chapter 277, Acts 42nd Legislature, Regular Session, as amended, who operates commercial motor vehicles over the highways of this State in the pensation or hire; provided, however, the term 'transportation of property for compensation or hire' as used in this section shall not include transactions where the cost of delivering goods, wares, or merchandise is included in the sale price of such goods, wares, or merchandise."

(Mr. Kersey in the Chair.)

On motion of Mr. Bell, the amendment by Mr. Rhodes was tabled.

(Speaker in the Chair.)

Mr. Lock offered the following amendment to the committee amendment:

Amend committee amendment to House Bill No. 25, page 2, line 23, by adding after the word "vegetable" the following:

"or timber in its natural state under contract."

LOCK, MRS. COLSON, ALSUP, COKER, KELLY, McCANN, HILEMAN, McDONALD, FERGUSON. HELPINSTILL, GARLAND, MANNING. MATTHEWS, BURNAMAN, SALLAS. DOVE.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Lock offered the following amendment to the committee amendment:

Amend committee amendment to House Bill No. 25, Section 1, page 2, subsection (b), line 16, by adding after the words "agricultural products" the following:

"timber in its natural state."

LOCK,
MRS. COLSON,
ALSUP,
COKER,
KELLY,
McCANN,
HILEMAN,
McDONALD,
FERGUSON,
HELPINSTILL,

GARLAND, MANNING, MATTHEWS, BURNAMAN, SALLAS, DOVE.

The amendment was adopted.

The committee amendment, as amended, was then adopted.

By unanimous consent of the House, the caption of the bill was ordered amended to conform to all changes and with the body of the bill.

House Bill No. 25 was then passed to engrossment.

## HOUSE BILL NO. 25 ON THIRD READING

Mr. Bell moved that the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and that House Bill No. 25 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote.

#### Yeas-124

Allen Deen Allison Dickson of Bexar Alsup Dickson of Nolan Avant Dove Bailey Duckett Baker Dwyer Bean Eubank Bell Evans Benton Favors Blankenship Ferguson Files Brawner Bridgers Gandy Bullock Garland Bundy Goodman Burkett Halsey Burnaman Hanna Carlton Hardeman Carrington Harris of Dallas Cato Harris of Hill Celaya Hartzog Clark Heflin Cleveland Helpinstill Coker Henderson Colson, Mrs. Hileman Connelly Hobbs Craig Howington Crossley Huddleston Crosthwait Huffman Daniel Hughes Davis Humphrey

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## Absent

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#### Absent-Excused

Anderson Little Boone Martin Bray Simpson Taylor Chambers Gilmer Voigt Hargis

The Speaker then laid House Bill No. 25 before the House on third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

## Yeas—122

Allen Humphrey Allison Hutchinson Alsup Isaacks Avant Jones Bailey Kelly Kennedy Baker Bell Kersey Benton Kinard Blankenship King Brawner Klingeman Bridgers Knight Brown Lansberry Bruhl Leyendecker Bullock Lock Bundy Love Burkett Lowry Burnaman Lucas Carlton Lyle Carrington McAlister Cato McCann Celaya McDonald Clark McGlasson Cleveland McLellan Coker McMurry Colson, Mrs. McNamara Connelly Manford Craig Manning Crossley Markle Crosthwait Matthews Daniel Montgomery Davis Moore Deen Morgan Dickson of Bexar Morris Dickson of Nolan Morse Dove Murray Duckett Nicholson Eubank Pace Evans Pevehouse Favors Phillips Price Ferguson Files Rampy Reed of Bowie Fuchs Reed of Dallas Gandy Garland Ridgeway Roark Goodman Roberts Halsey Sallas Hanna Hardeman Senterfitt Sharpe Harris of Dallas Hartzog Shell

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## Nays-4

Fitzgerald Mills

Rhodes Stubbs

#### Absent

Bean Howard Donald Huddleston Dwyer Lehman Ellis Parker Harris of Hill Vale Heflin

#### Absent-Excused

Anderson Little Boone Martin Bray Simpson Chambers Taylor Gilmer Voigt Hargis

Mr. Bell moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

Mr. Reed of Bowie moved that the House recess until 2:00 o'clock p. m. today.

Mr. Celaya moved that the House recess until 2:30 o'clock p. m. today.

Question first recurring onthe motion by Mr. Reed of Bowie, it was lost.

Question then recurring on the motion by Mr. Celaya, it was lost.

## HOUSE BILL NO. 804 WITH SEN-ATE AMENDMENTS

Mr. Isaacks called up from the Speaker's table, with Senate amendments, for consideration of amendments,

H. B. No. 804, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for isbonds where suing refunding original bonds arenowowned by two or more school entities, including common school districts, independent school districts, and cities which have assumed control of their schools or which constitute independent school districts."

On motion of Mr. Isaacks the House concurred in the Senate Amendments by the following vote:

#### Yeas—120

Allen Humphrey Allison Hutchinson Alsup Isaacks Avant Jones Bailey Kelly Baker Kennedy Bell Kersey Benton Kinard King Brawner Brown Knight Bruhl Lansberry Bullock Lehman Bundy Leyendecker Burkett Lock Burnaman Love Carlton Lowry Carrington Lucas Cato McDonald

Celaya McGlasson Clark McLellan Cleveland McMurry Coker Manford Manning Connelly Craig Markle Crossley Matthews Crosthwait Mills Daniel Montgomery

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#### Absent

Bean Blankenship Bridgers Colson, Mrs. Dickson of Bexar Donald Garland Hartzog Howard

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Hoyo Klingeman Lyle McAlister McCann McNamara Morgan Shell Skiles

#### Absent-Excused

Little Martin Simpson Taylor Voigt

HOUSE BILL NO. 247 WITH SEN-ATE AMENDMENTS

Mrs. Colson called up from the Speaker's table, with Senate amendfor consideration of ments. amendments.

H. B. No. 247, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 608 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, so as to fix the number and extent of county parks, and declaring an emergency.'

Mrs. Colson moved that the House do not concur in the Senate amendments, and that a conference committee be requested to adjust the differences between the two Houses on the bill.

The motion prevailed.

## HOUSE BILL NO. 288 WITH SEN-ATE AMENDMENTS

Mr. Bridgers called up from the Speaker's table, with Senate amendments. for consideration of the amendments,

H. B. No. 288, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the County Commissioners of any county having a County Court at Law to appoint an official interpreter for the County Court at Law in such county; to provide for the salary of such inter-[Hileman

preter and to prescribe his duties and providing for the oath of such interpreter."

On motion of Mr. Bridgers, the concurred in House the Senate amendments by the following vote:

## Yeas—124

Allen Allison Alsup Avant Bailey Baker Bean Bell Benton Blankenship Brawner Bridgers Brown Bruhl Bullock Bundy Burkett Burnaman Carlton Carrington Cato Celaya Clark Cleveland Coker Colson, Mrs. Connelly Crossley Crosthwait Daniel Davis Dickson of Nolan

Deen Duckett Ellis Eubank Evans Favors Ferguson Files Fitzgerald Fuchs Gandy Garland Goodman Hanna. Hardeman Hartzog

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Montgomery Moore Morgan Morris Morse Murray Pace Parker Pevehouse Phillips Price Rampy

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Stubbs Sharpe Shell Thornton Skiles Turner Smith of Bastrop  ${f Walters}$ Smith of Atascosa Wattner Weatherford Spacek Spangler White Whitesides Stanford Stinson Winfree

#### Absent

Howard Craig Dickson of Bexar Hoyo Donald Leyendecker McCannDove Dwyer McNamara Nicholson Halsey Harris of Hill Vale

## Absent-Excused

Little Anderson Boone Martin Bray Simpson Chambers Taylor Gilmer Voigt Hargis

#### BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER

The Speaker signed, in the presence of the House, after giving due notice thereof and their captions had been read severally, the following enrolled bills and resolutions:

H. B. No. 755, "An Act providing that the closed season on fishing in Blanco County shall be for the months of February, March and April; providing that otherwise the fishing laws of H. B. No. 1114, Acts of the 46th Legislature, applying to Blanco County and certain other counties, shall be and remain in force in Blanco County; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 826, "An Act making it lawful to take or attempt to take any fish from the waters of the Pedernalis River in Blanco County, Texas, by any method, means, or device equipped with more than two (2) hooks, including trot lines; repealing all laws in conflict; and declaring an emergency.'

H. B. No. 794, "An Act making it unlawful for a period of five years to kill or take any raccoon or mink, or possess the green hide of same,

County; providing a penalty for violation of this Act; repealing conflicting laws; and declaring an emergency."

H. C. R. No. 97, Providing for Joint Session of the Legislature.

H. B. No. 802, "An Act making it unlawful to kill or attempt to kill wild turkey or trap or molest same in Newton and Jasper Counties for a period of five years; providing a repealing all conflicting penalty; laws; and declaring an emergency.'

H. B. No. 784, "An Act validating the incorporation of certain cities and towns of more than six hundred (600) and less than two thousand (2000) inhabitants, heretofore incorporated and/or attempted to be incorporated under the General Laws of Texas, Title 28, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925; and validating all governmental proceedings performed by the governing bodies of such cities and towns since their incorporation or attempted incorporation, respectively; providing the provisions hereof shall affect no city or town now in litigation; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 816, "An Act to create road district number seven, of Lavaca County, Texas; defining boundaries; conferring upon said road district all the rights, powers, privileges and duties now conferred and imposed by the General Laws of Texas upon road districts; providing that any territory within the bounds of said district, as created by this Act, shall remain chargeable with any and all outstanding bonded indebtedness heretofore voted by such territory, etc.; and declaring emergency."

H. B. No. 409, "An Act to amend Title 34 of the Re-Article 1645. vised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1925, as amended by Chapter 35, General and Special Laws passed at the First Called Session of the Fortieth Legislature, as amended by Chapter 28, General and Special Laws passed at the First Called Session of the Forty-first Legislature, as amended by Chapter 15, General and Special Laws, passed at the Second Called Session of the Forty-second Legislature, as amended or offer same for sale in Red River | Chapter 4, Special Laws passed at

the Regular Session of the Fortysixth Legislature, relating to the appointment and compensation County Auditors in counties containpopulation ing  $\mathbf{a}$ of Thirty-five Thousand (35,000) inhabitants, or over, according to the preceding Federal Census, or having a tax valuation of Fifteen Million (\$15,000,000) Dollars, according to the last approved tax rolls; etc.; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 717, "An Act amending Ch. 56, p. 806, Special Laws of the 46th Legislature, 1939, as it pertains to Menard County, Texas; prohibiting the taking of fish in Menard County with any device equipped with more than two (2) hooks, prohibiting the use of floats except in certain cases, except artificial bait used with a rod and reel and excepting a twenty (20) foot minnow seine for the purpose of taking minnows for bait; providing size limits and bag limits for fish taken in said County; providing a closed season during the months of March and April; prohibiting the sale of any fresh water fish in said County; providing a penalty for any violation of this Act; prohibiting the taking of minnows for the purpose of sale or transporting more than two hundred (200) minnows from any County named in this Act; repealing all General and Special Laws in so far as they conflict with this Act; and declaring an emergency.'

- H. B. No. 808, "An Act making it lawful to hunt, take, and kill squirrels in Sutton County, Texas, at any time and declaring an open season for hunting squirrels in such county; repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict; and declaring an emergency."
- S. B. No. 191, "An Act authorizing Trustees of Independent School Districts to order an election to vote refunding bonds for the purpose of buying in bonds which have been previously issued without option of prior redemption and prescribing the method of holding such elections, etc.; and declaring an emergency."
- S. B. No. 289, "An Act to amend duced today, was Article 4477 of the R. C. S. of Texas, Rule 82, Sanitary Code, regulating referred to the the shipment of dead bodies not by tees, as follows:

express, etc.; and declaring an emergency."

- S. B. No. 422, "An Act providing for the taking of channel or Opelousas catfish or any perch at any time by ordinary hook and line in the fresh waters of Bosque County, Texas, etc.; and declaring an emergency."
- S. B. No. 213, "An Act providing for compensation to be paid County Commissioners for their Services as Ex-officio Road Commissioner; etc.; and declaring an emergency."
- S. B. No. 418, "An Act regulating the taking of minnows in Bosque County; providing a penalty for violation of this Act, etc.; and declaring an emergency."
- S. B. No. 45, "An Act authorizing Counties having an assessed valuation of not less than twenty million dollars and a population of not more than three (3) persons per square mile to vote, levy, assess and collect a County-wide school maintenance tax, etc; and declaring an emergency."
- S. B. No. 89, "An Act amending S. B. No. 161, of the 46th Legislature, Acts, 1939, Special Laws, page 723, so as to exempt certain independent school districts, etc., from the provisions of Article 2763, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925; and declaring an emergency."
- S. B. No. 179, "An Act creating a Special Road Law for Coke County Texas, etc.; and declaring an emergency."
- S. B. No. 432, "An Act to amend Section 8 of House Bill No. 266, Chapter 4, Acts 1935, 44th Legislature, Regular Session, page 11, as amended by Section 1 of House Bill No. 82, Chapter 34, Acts of 1937, 45th Legislature, Second Called Session, page 1915, etc.; and declaring and emergency."
- S. C. R. No. 39, In memory of Honorable George E. Christian.

## HOUSE BILLS ON FIRST READING

The following House bills, introduced today, were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

By Mr. Smith of Atascosa:

H. B. No. 932, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the closed season on wild deer, wild turkey, quail and javelina in Live Oak County, Texas, for a period of three (3) years; providing, however, none of the provisions of this Act shall apply to that part of Live Oak County known and defined as the J. Frank Dobie Game Preserve; prescribing penalties for the violation of this Act; repealing all laws in conflict; and declaring an emergency."

Referred to the Committee on Game and Fisheries.

By Mr. Humphrey (by request):

H. B. No. 933, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prohibit the use in Fort Phantom Hill Lake of Jones and Taylor Counties of certain devices for catching fish; to limit the size and number of fish to be caught; to prohibit the taking of any fresh water fish during the months of February, March or April to prohibit the taking of any catfish during the months of March, April, May and June; to regulate the taking of minnows; providing a penalty; and declaring an emergency."

Referred to the Committee on Game and Fisheries.

#### RECESS

Mr. Celaya moved that the House recess until 2:30 o'clock p. m. today. The motion prevailed and the House accordingly, at 12:25 o'clock p. m., took recess until 2:30 o'clock p. m. today.

### AFTERNOON SESSION

The House met at 2:30 o'clock p. m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

#### LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED

Mr. Helpinstill was granted leave of absence for this afternoon on account of important business, on motion of Mr. Lock.

Mr. Donald was granted leave of absence for this afternoon on account of important business, on motion of Mr. Hobbs.

Mr. Daniel, temporarily for this afternoon, on motion of Mr. Isaacks.

## APPOINTMENT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 247

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following Conference Committee on House Bill No. 247:

Mrs. Colson, Mr. Hardeman, Mr. Bean, Mr. Chambers and Mr. Heflin.

## HOUSE BILL NO. 359 WITH SENATE AMENDMENTS

Mr. Roark called up from the Speaker's table, with Senate amendments, for consideration of the amendments.

H. B. No. 359, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 392, Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, as amended by Acts 1937, 45th Legislature, page 1296, Chapter 482, Section 1; and declaring an emergency."

On motion of Mr. Roark the House concurred in the Senate Amendments by the following vote:

### Yeas-113

Allen Dickson of Nolan Allison Dove Alsup Duckett Avant Ellis Eubank Bailey Evans Bean Ferguson Benton Brawner Files Bridgers Fitzgerald Brown Gandy Garland Bullock Goodman Bundy Burkett Halsey Hardeman Burnaman Carlton Harris of Hill Hartzog Carrington Cato Heflin Henderson Celaya Hileman Clark Howington Cleveland Hoyo Coker Colson, Mrs. Huddleston Huffman Connelly Craig Hughes Crosthwait Humphrey Daniel Hutchinson Davis Jones Kelly Deen Kennedy Dickson of Bexar

Parker Kersev Kinard Pevehouse King Price Knight Rampy Reed of Bowie Lansberry Lehman Reed of Dallas Ridgeway Levendecker Lock Roark Roberts Love Sallas Lucas Lvle Senterfitt McAlister Sharpe McCann Shell McDonald Skiles McGlasson Smith of Bastrop Smith of Atascosa McLellan McMurry Stanford Manford Stinson Stubbs Manning Markle Thornton Vale Matthews Mills Walters Wattner Montgomery Weatherford Morris Morse White Whitesides Murray Nicholson Winfree Pace

## Absent

Baker Isaacks Klingeman Bell Blankenship Lowry McNamara Bruhl Crossley Moore Morgan Dwyer Favors **Phillips** Rhodes Fuchs Spacek Hanna Spangler Harris of Dallas Hobbs Turner Howard

## Absent-Excused

Anderson Helpinstill
Boone Little
Bray Martin
Chambers Simpson
Donald Taylor
Gilmer Voigt
Hargis

## HOUSE BILL NO. 405 WITH SENATE AMENDMENTS

Mr. Bruhl called up from the Speaker's table, with Senate amendments, for consideration of the amendments,

H. B. No. 405, A bill to be entitled Hileman "An Act amending the Lower Col- Howington

orado River Authority Act,' Chapter 7, Acts of the 4th Called Session, 43rd Legislature, by adding a new section to be known as Section 3-a, to provide that the Directors of the Authority who shall be appointed subsequent to the effective date of this Act shall be residents of counties through which the Colorado River flows or which are adjacent to . Colorado: and declaring an the emergency."

On motion of Mr. Bruhl the House concurred in the Senate amendments by the following vote:

#### Yeas-108

Allen Hoyo Huddleston Allison Alsup Huffman Avant Hughes Bailey Hutchinson BellIsaacks Benton Jones Kelly Brawner Bridgers Kennedy Brown Kersey Bullock King Knight Bundy Burkett Lansberry Burnaman Lehman Carlton Leyendecker Carrington Lock Cato Love Clark Lucas Cleveland Lyle Coker McAlister Colson, Mrs. McCann McDonald Connelly McGlasson Craig Crosthwait McLellan McMurry Davis McNamara Deen Dickson of Bexar Manford Dickson of Nolan Manning Dove Markle Duckett Matthews Ellis Mills Eubank Morgan Evans Morris Ferguson Morse Files Pace Parker Fitzgerald Gandy Pevehouse Garland Phillips Goodman Price Harris of Hill Rampy Reed of Bowie Heflin Reed of Dallas Henderson Hileman Ridgeway Roark

Stinson Roberts Stubbs Sallas Senterfitt Thornton Sharpe Turner Shell Walters Skiles Wattner Smith of Bastrop Weatherford Smith of Atascosa White Spangler Whitesides Stanford Winfree

## Nays—3

Humphrev

Nicholson

Kinard

#### Absent

Baker Harris of Dallas Bean Hartzog Blankenship Hobbs Bruhl Howard Celaya Klingeman Crossley Lowry Dwyer Montgomery Favors Moore Fuchs Murray Halsey Rhodes Hanna Spacek Hardeman Vale

## Absent-Excused

Hargis Anderson Helpinstill Boone Bray Little Chambers Martin Daniel Simpson Donald Taylor Voigt Gilmer

## HOUSE BILL NO. 434 WITH SENATE AMENDMENTS

Mr. McLellan called up from the Speaker's table, with Senate amendconsideration of the ments, for amendments,

H. B. No. 434, A bill to be entitled Act relating to marks and brands of live stock in Austin County only; amending Article 6899 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, by adding thereto a new Section to be known as Article 6899f, requiring that in said county each owner of any live stock mentioned in Chapter 1, of Title 121 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, of 1925, shall within six (6) months after this Act takes effect, have his mark and brand of such stock recorded at the office of the County Clerk of said County; and providing that such Halsey

owners shall so record such marks and brands whether heretofore recorded or not and that after the expiration of six (6) months from taking effect of this Act all records and marks and brands now in existence shall no longer have any force or effect and that after the expiration of six (6) months only the records made after this Act shall be effective and considered the recorded marks and brands in said county; and further providing that the County Clerk of said county shall publish this Act in some newspaper in general circulation in the county for a period of thirty (30) days; and declaring an emergency."

On motion of Mr. McLellan, the House concurred in the Senate amendments by the following vote:

## Yeas-112

 $\mathbf{Allen}$ Hardeman Allison Harris of Hill Heflin Alsup Avant Henderson Bailey Hileman Bean Hobbs Bell Howard Benton Howington Bridgers Hoyo Brown Huddleston Bullock Huffman Bundy Hughes Burkett Humphrey Burnaman Hutchinson Carlton Isaacks Carrington Jones Cato Kelly Clark Kennedy Cleveland Kersey Coker Kinard Colson, Mrs. King Connelly Klingeman Craig Knight Crosthwait Lansberry Davis Lehman Deen Levendecker Dickson of Nolan Lock Dove Love Duckett Lucas Ellis Lyle Eubank McAlister Evans McCann McDonald Ferguson McLellan Fitzgerald McMurry Gandy Garland McNamara Goodman Manford Markle

Matthews Senterfitt Montgomery Sharpe Morgan Shell Morris Skiles Morse Smith of Bastrop Nicholson Smith of Atascosa Spangler Pace Parker Stanford Pevehouse Stinson Phillips Stubbs Price Thornton Rampy Turner Reed of Bowie Walters Reed of Dallas Wattner Ridgeway Weatherford Roark White Roberts Whitesides Sallas Winfree

#### Absent

Baker Harris of Dallas Blankenship Hartzog Brawner Lowry Bruhl McGlasson Celaya Manning Crossley Mills Dickson of Bexar Moore Dwyer Murray Favors Rhodes Files Spacek Fuchs Vale Hanna

## Absent-Excused

Anderson Hargis
Boone Helpinstill
Bray Little
Chambers Martin
Daniel Simpson
Donald Taylor
Gilmer Voigt

## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLU-TION NO. 67 WITH SENATE AMENDMENTS

Mr. Morris called up from the Speaker's table, with Senate amendments, for consideration of the amendments,

H. C. R. No. 67, To grant J. L. Kelly and wife permission to sue the State.

On motion of Mr. Morris, the House concurred in the Senate amendments by the following vote:

#### Yeas-111

Allen Alsup Allison Avant

Bailey BeanBell Benton Bridgers Brown Bullock Bundy Burkett Burnaman Carlton Carrington Cato Clark Cleveland Coker Colson, Mrs. Connelly Craig Crosthwait Dickson of Bexar Dickson of Nolan Dove Duckett Ellis Eubank Ferguson Files Fitzgerald Fuchs Gandy Garland Halsey Hardeman Harris of Hill Heflin Henderson Hileman Hobbs Howard Howington Hoyo Huddleston Huffman Hughes Humphrey Hutchinson Isaacks Jones Kelly Kennedy Kersey Kinard King

Klingeman Knight Lansberry Leyendecker Lock Love Lowry Lucas Lyle McAlister McCann McDonald McGlasson McLellan McMurry McNamara Manford Manning Markle Matthews Moore Morgan Morris Morse Nicholson Pace Parker Pevehouse Phillips Price Rampy Reed of Bowie Reed of Dallas Ridgeway Roark Roberts Sallas Senterfitt Sharpe Shell Skiles Smith of Bastrop Smith of Atascosa Spacek Spangler Stanford Stinson Thornton Turner Wattner Weatherford White Winfree

## Absent

Baker Crossley
Blankenship Davis
Brawner Deen
Bruhl Dwyer
Celaya Evans

Favors Montgomery
Goodman Murray
Hanna Rhodes
Harris of Dallas Stubbs
Hartzog Vale
Lehman Walters
Mills Whitesides

#### Absent-Excused

Anderson Hargis
Boone Helpinstill
Bray Little
Chambers Martin
Daniel Simpson
Donald Taylor
Gilmer Voigt

## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLU-TION NO. 68, WITH SENATE AMENDMENTS

Mr. Morris called up from the Speaker's table, with Senate amendments, for consideration of the amendments,

H. C. R. No. 68, To grant Dr. J. R. Nichols and wife permission to sue the State.

On motion of Mr. Morris, the House concurred in the Senate amendments by the following vote:

## Yeas—112

Allen Duckett Allison Ellis Alsup Eubank Avant Ferguson Bailey Files Bean Fitzgerald Bell Fuchs Gandy Benton Bridgers Garland Brown Halsey Bullock Hardeman Bundy Harris of Hill Burkett Heflin Burnaman Henderson Carlton Hileman Carrington Hobbs Cato Howard Clark Howington Cleveland Hoyo Coker Huddleston Colson, Mrs. Huffman Connelly Hughes Craig Humphrey Crosthwait Hutchinson Dickson of Bexar Isaacks Dickson of Nolan Jones Dove Kelly

Kennedy Nicholson Kersev Pace Kinard Parker King Pevehouse Klingeman Phillips Knight Price Lansberry Rampy Lehman Reed of Bowie Levendecker Reed of Dallas Lock Ridgeway Love Roark Lowry Roberts Lucas Sallas Lyle Senterfitt McAlister Sharpe McCann Shell McDonald Skiles McGlasson Smith of Bastrop McLellan Smith of Atascosa McMurry Spacek McNamara Spangler Manford Stanford Manning Stinson Markle Thornton Matthews Turner Moore Wattner Weatherford Morgan Morris White Morse Winfree

#### Absent

Baker Hanna Blankenship Harris of Dallas Hartzog Brawner Bruhl Mills Celaya Montgomery Crossley Murray Davis Rhodes Deen Stubbs Dwyer Vale Evans Walters Favors Whitesides Goodman

#### Absent—Excused

Anderson Hargis
Boone Helpinstill
Bray Little
Chambers Martin
Daniel Simpson
Donald Taylor
Gilmer Voigt

## HOUSE BILL NO. 709 WITH SEN-ATE AMENDMENTS

Mr. Spacek called up from the Speaker's table, with Senate amendments, for consideration of the amendments,

H. B. No. 709, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for all counties having a population of not less than twenty-nine thousand two hundred and forty (29,240) and not more than twenty-nine thousand two hundred and fifty (29,250), according to the last preceding, or any future, United States Federal Census, there shall be imposed upon all male persons the duties of working five (5) days of eight (8) hours efficient service on public roads each year, or the payment on or before May 1 of each year the sum of three (\$3.00) dollars; for the summons of persons in said counties for work on the public roads, said summons when issued shall compel the persons to appear the following day after summons for road duty, and repealing all laws in conflict herewith; and declaring an emergency."

On motion of Mr. Spacek, the House concurred in the Senate amendments by the following vote:

#### Yeas—114

Fuchs Allen Gandy Alsup Garland Avant Halsey Bailey Hardeman Rell Harris of Hill Benton Heflin Brawner Bridgers Henderson Brown Hileman Bullock Hobbs Howington Bundy Burkett Ноуо Huddleston Burnaman Hughes Carlton Humphrey Carrington Cato Hutchinson Isaacks Clark Cleveland Jones Coker Kellv Colson, Mrs. Kennedy Connelly Kersey Kinard Craig King Crosthwait Klingeman Davis Dickson of Bexar Knight Dickson of Nolan Lansberry Dove Lehman Duckett Leyendecker Ellis Lock Eubank Love Evans Lowry Ferguson Lucas Fitzgerald Lyle

McAlister Reed of Dallas McCann Ridgeway McDonald Roark McGlasson Roberts McLellan Sallas McMurry Senterfitt McNamara Sharpe Manford Shell Skiles Manning Smith of Bastrop Markle Smith of Atascosa Matthews Montgomery Spacek Moore Spangler Morgan Stanford Morris Stinson Morse Stubbs Nicholson Thornton Pace Turner Parker Walters Pevehouse Wattner Phillips Weatherford Price White Rampy Whitesides Reed of Bowie Winfree

#### Absent

Allison Goodman Baker Hanna Bean Harris of Dallas Blankenship Hartzog Bruhl Howard Celaya Huffman Crossley Mills Deen Murray Dwyer Rhodes Favors Vale Files

## Absent—Excused

Anderson Hargis
Boone Helpinstill
Bray Little
Chambers Martin
Daniel Simpson
Donald Taylor
Gilmer Voigt

## HOUSE BILL NO. 759 WITH SEN-ATE AMENDMENTS

Mr. Bundy called up from the Speaker's table, with Senate amendments, for consideration of the amendments,

H. B. No. 759, A bill to be entitled "An Act fixing the compensation of Tax Assessor-Collector in all counties having a population of more than Seventy Thousand (70,000) and not more than Eighty Thousand (80,000) according to the last pre-

ceding Federal Census, and with an assessed valuation of more than Forty Million (\$40,000,000.00) Dollars; repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith; and declaring an emergency."

On motion of Mr. Bundy, the House concurred in the Senate amendments by the following vote:

#### Yeas-116

Allen Humphrey Hutchinson Allison Alsup Isaacks Avant Jones Bailey Kelly Kennedy Bean Bell Kersey Benton Kinard Brawner King Klingeman Bridgers Brown Knight Bullock Lansberry Bundy Leyendecker Burkett Lock Burnaman Love Carlton Lowry Carrington Lucas Cato Lyle Clark McAlister Cleveland McCann McDonald Coker Colson, Mrs. McGlasson Connelly McLellan Craig McMurry Crosthwait McNamara Daniel Manford Manning Deen Dickson of Nolan Markle Dove Matthews Duckett Mills Ellis Montgomery Eubank Moore Evans Morgan Ferguson Morris Files Morse Fitzgerald Nicholson Fuchs Pace Gandy Parker Garland Pevehouse Halsey Phillips Hardeman Price Heflin Rampy Henderson Reed of Bowie Hileman Reed of Dallas Hobbs Ridgeway Howington Roark Hoyo Roberts Huddleston Sallas Huffman Senterfitt Hughes Sharpe

Skiles Thornton
Smith of Bastrop Turner
Smith of Atascosa Walters
Spacek Wattner
Spangler Weatherford
Stanford White
Stinson Whitesides
Stubbs Winfree

Nays—1

#### Davis

#### Absent

Baker	Harris of Dallas
Blankenship	Harris of Hill
Bruhl	Hartzog
Celaya	Howard
Crossley	Lehman
Dickson of Bexar	Murray
Dwyer	Rhodes
Favors	Shell
Goodman	Vale
Hanna	

#### Absent-Excused

Anderson	Helpinstill
Boone	Little
Bray	Martin
Chambers	Simpson
Donald	Taylor
Gilmer	$\mathbf{Voigt}$
Hargis	*

HOUSE BILL NO. 372 ON SECOND READING

## (By unanimous consent)

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 372, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the payment of the prevailing rate of wages on public works; defining certain terms as used in this Act; providing the general rate of wages shall be paid; providing for predetermination of the prevailing rate of wages; requiring a public body to pay the prevailing rate of wages on any works constructed, repaired or improved by its own forces; providing that contractors shall be required to pay the stipulated wage schadule; requiring records to be kept; making certain exceptions; providing a penalty; repealing Chapter 45 of the Acts of the 43rd Legislature; and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

Evans

Craig

## HOUSE BILL NO. 372 ON THIRD READING

Mr. Morris moved that the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and that House Bill No. 372 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

#### Yeas--110

Allen Hutchinson Allison Isaacks Avant Jones Bailey Kelly Bean Kennedy Bell Kinard Benton Klingeman Bridgers Knight Brown Lansberry Bullock Lehman Burnaman Leyendecker Carlton Lock Carrington Love Cato Lucas Clark Lyle Cleveland McAlister Coker McCann Connelly McDonald Craig McGlasson Crosthwait McLellan Davis McMurry Dickson of Bexar McNamara Dickson of Nolan Manford Dove Manning Duckett Markle Ellis Matthews Eubank Mills Favors Montgomery Ferguson Moore Files Morgan Fitzgerald Morris Gandy Morse Garland Nicholson Goodman Pace Halsey Parker Hardeman Pevehouse Harris of Dallas Phillips Harris of Hill Price Hartzog Reed of Bowie Heflin Ridgeway Henderson Rhodes Hileman Roark Howington Roberts Hoyo Senterfitt Sharpe Huddleston Huffman Shell Hughes Skiles

Humphrey

Smith of Bastrop

Smith of Atascosa Turner
Spacek Walters
Spangler Wattner
Stanford Weatherford
Stinson White
Stubbs Whitesides
Thornton Winfree

## Nays-2

Deen Rampy

## Absent

Alsup Fuchs Baker Hanna Blankenship Hobbs Brawner Howard Bruhl Kersey Bundy King Burkett Lowry Celava Murray Colson, Mrs. Reed of Dallas Crossley Sallas Dwyer Vale

#### Absent-Excused

Anderson Hargis
Boone Helpinstill
Bray Little
Chambers Martin
Daniel Simpson
Donald Taylor
Gilmer Voigt

The Speaker then laid House Bill No. 372 before the House on third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-110

Crosthwait Allen Davis Allison Dickson of Bexar Avant Dickson of Nolan Bailey Dove Bean Duckett Bell Ellis Benton Eubank **Bridgers** Favors Brown Bullock Ferguson Files Burnaman Carlton Fitzgerald Carrington Gandy Garland Cato Goodman Clark Cleveland Halsey Hardeman Coker Harris of Dallas Connelly

Harris of Hill

Hartzog Mills Montgomery Heflin Henderson Moore Hileman Morgan Howington Morris Morse Hoyo Nicholson Huddleston Huffman Pace Parker Hughes Humphrey Pevehouse Phillips Hutchinson Price Issacks Reed of Bowie Jones Ridgeway Kelly Rhodes Kennedy Roark Kinard Roberts Klingeman Senterfitt · Knight Sharpe Lansberry Lehman Shell Skiles Leyendecker Smith of Bastrop Lock Smith of Atascosa Love Lucas Spacek Lyle Spangler McAlister Stanford McCann Stinson McDonald Stubbs McGlassonThornton McLellan Turner McMurry Walters McNamara Wattner Manford Weatherford Manning White Markle Whitesides Matthews Winfree

## Nays—2

Deen

Rampy

### Absent

Alsup Fuchs Baker Hanna Blankenship Hobbs Brawner Howard Bruhl Kersev Bundy King Burkett Lowry Celaya Murray Colson, Mrs. Reed of Dallas Crossley Sallas Dwyer Vale Evans

## Absent-Excused

Anderson Donald
Boone Gilmer
Bray Hargis
Chambers Helpinstill
Daniel Little

Martin Taylor Simpson Voigt

Mr. Morris moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### SPECIAL ORDER SET

Mr. Alsup moved that House Bill No. 912 be set for special order at 11:00 o'clock a. m. next Tuesday.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas-117 Allen Hartzog Allison Heflin Henderson Alsup Hobbs Avant Howington Bailey Baker Hoyo Bell Huddleston Benton Hughes Brawner Humphrey Hutchinson Bridgers Brown Isaacks Jones Bullock Bundy Kelly Burkett Kennedy Burnaman Kersey Carrington Kinard Cato King Klingeman Clark Cleveland Knight Coker Lansberry Colson, Mrs. Lehman Connelly Levendecker Craig Lock Crosthwait Love Davis Lucas Deen Lyle Dickson of Bexar McCann Dickson of Nolan McDonald Dove McGlasson Duckett McLellan Dwyer McMurry Ellis McNamara Eubank Manford Favors Manning Ferguson Markle Files Matthews Fitzgerald Mills Fuchs Montgomery Gandy Moore Garland Morgan Morris Goodman

Morse

Pace

Nicholson

Halsey

Harris of Dallas

Harris of Hill

Smith of Atascosa Parker Phillips Spacek Price Spangler Rampy Stanford Reed of Bowie Stinson Reed of Dallas Stubbs Ridgeway Thornton Rhodes Turner Roark Walters Roberts Wattner Senterfitt Weatherford Sharpe White Shell Whitesides Skiles Winfree

Smith of Bastrop

## Nays-2

Hileman

Pevehouse

#### Absent

Bean Hardeman Blankenship Howard Bruhl Huffman Carlton Lowry Celaya McAlister Crossley Murray Evans Sallas Hanna Vale

### Absent-Excused

Anderson Hargis
Boone Helpinstill
Bray Little
Chambers Martin
Daniel Simpson
Donald Taylor
Gilmer Voigt

## HOUSE BILL NO. 627 ON PASSAGE TO ENGROSSMENT

The Speaker laid before the House, on its passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 627, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 12 $\mathbf{of}$ House Bill No. 821, Chapter 462, page 1144, Regular Session of the Forty-fifth Legislature, as amended by House Bill No. 102, Chapter 41, page 1924, Second Called Session of the Forty - fifth Legislature, as amended by House Bill No. 834, Chapter 1, page 427, Regular Session of the Forty-sixth Legislature, and to add thereto seven new sections to be known as Sections 23a, 23b, 23c, 23d, 23e, 23f and 23g; to authorize housing authorities to acquire by the exercise of the power of eminent domain any interest in real property; to create housing authorities

counties; to provide for the creation of regional housing authorities; to authorize the undertaking of housing projects for farmers of low income; and declaring an emergency."

The bill having heretofore been read second time.

Mr. Hanna moved to postpone further consideration of House Bill No. 627 until 10:30 a.m. next Tuesday.

On motion of Mr. Hughes the motion to postpone was tabled.

Mr. McLellan moved that House Bill No. 627 be laid on the table subject to call.

The motion prevailed.

## NOTICE GIVEN

Mr. Hughes gave notice that he would, on the next legislative day, move to take up for consideration at that time House Bill No. 627, which bill was heretofore laid on the table subject to call.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Austin, Texas, April 18, 1941.

Hon. Homer Leonard, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has adopted

H. C. R. No. 84, Granting James I. Morgan permission to sue the State.

H. C. R. No. 64, Granting J. H. Ferrel, trustee permission to sue the State.

#### Passed

S. B. No. 433, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing any city or county of the State, acting separately or jointly, to acquire lands for the use of the United States Government, either by lease for a term of years or in fee simple title; authorizing the appropriation of any available funds of any such city or county for the payment of such lands; etc.; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 759, A bill to be entitled "An Act fixing the compensation of the Tax Assessor-Collector in all counties having a population of more than seventy thousand (70,000) and not for more than eighty thousand (80,000),

according to the last preceding Federal Census, and with an assessed valuation of more than Forty Million Dollars (\$40,000,000); etc.; and declaring an emergency." (With amendments).

Respectfully,

BOB BARKER,

Secretary of the Senate.

## SENATE BILL ON FIRST READING

The following Senate bill, received from the Senate, was laid before the House, read first time, and referred to the appropriate committee, as follows:

S. B. No. 433, to the Committee on Counties.

## SENATE BILL NO. 433 ON SECOND READING

Mr. Bean moved that the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and that Senate Bill No. 433 be placed on its second reading and passage to third reading, and on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

## Yeas-126

Allen	Crosthwait
Allison	Daniel
Alsup	Deen
Avant	Dickson of Bexar
Bailey	Dickson of Nolan
Baker	Duckett
Bean	Dwyer
Bell	Ellis
Benton	Eubank
Blankenship	Evans
Brawner	Favors
Bridgers	Ferguson
Brown	Files
Bundy	Fitzgerald
Burkett	Fuchs
Burnaman	Gandy
Carlton	Garland
Carrington	Goodman
Cato	Halsey
Clark	Hanna
Cleveland	Hardeman ·
Coker	Harris of Dallas
Colson, Mrs.	Harris of Hill
Connelly	Hartzog
Craig	Heflin
Crossley	Henderson

Hileman Montgomery Hobbs Moore Howard Morgan Howington Morris Hoyo Morse Huddleston Murray Huffman Nicholson Hughes Pace Humphrey Parker Pevehouse Hutchinson Isaacks Phillips Jones Price Rampy Kellv Reed of Bowie Kennedy Reed of Dallas Kersey Ridgeway Kinard King Rhodes Roark Klingeman Roberts Knight Senterfitt Lansberry Sharpe Lehman Skiles Levendecker Smith of Bastrop Lock Smith of Atascosa Love Spacek Lowry Lucas Spangler Stanford Lyle McCann Stinson McDonald Stubbs Thornton McGlasson Turner McMurry McNamara Walters Wattner Manford Weatherford Manning Markle White Whitesides Matthews Mills Winfree

## Absent

Bruhl McAlister
Bullock McLellan
Celaya Sallas
Davis Shell
Dove Vale

## Absent—Excused

Anderson Helpinstill
Boone Little
Bray Martin
Chambers Simpson
Donald Taylor
Gilmer Voigt
Hargis

The Speaker then laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to third reading,

S. B. No. 433, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing any city or county of the State, acting separately or jointly, to acquire lands for

the use of the United States Government, either by lease for a term of years or in fee simple title; authorizing the appropriation of any available funds of any such city or county for the payment of such lands, etc.; and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to third reading.

## SENATE BILL NO. 433 ON THIRD READING

The Speaker then laid Senate Bill No. 433 before the House on third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-125

Allen Fuchs Allison Gandy Garland Alsup Avant Goodman Bailey Halsey Baker Hanna Bean Hardeman Bell Harris of Dallas Benton Harris of Hill Blankenship Hartzog Brawner Heflin **Bridgers** Henderson Brown Hileman Bundy Hobbs Burkett Howington Burnaman Hoyo Carlton Huddleston Carrington Huffman Cato Hughes Clark Humphrey Cleveland Hutchinson Coker Isaacks Colson, Mrs. Jones Connelly Kelly Craig Kennedy Crossley Kersey Crosthwait Kinard King Daniel Klingeman Dickson of Bexar Knight Dickson of Nolan Lansberry Duckett Lehman Dwyer Leyendecker Ellis Lock Eubank Love Evans Lowry Favors Lucas Ferguson Lyle Files McCann Fitzgerald McDonald

McGlasson Ridgeway McMurry . Rhodes McNamara Roark Roberts Manford Senterfitt Manning Markle Sharpe Matthews Skiles Smith of Bastrop Mills Montgomery Smith of Atascosa Moore Spacek Morgan Spangler Morris Stanford Morse Stinson Murray Stubbs Nicholson Thornton Pace Turner Parker Walters Pevehouse Wattner Phillips Weatherford White Price Rampy Whitesides Reed of Bowie Winfree Reed of Dallas

#### Absent

Bruhl McAlister
Bullock McLellan
Celaya Sallas
Davis Shell
Dove Vale
Howard

#### Absent-Excused

Anderson Helpinstill
Boone Little
Bray Martin
Chambers Simpson
Donald Taylor
Gilmer Voigt
Hargis

## HOUSE BILL NO. 22 ON SECOND READING

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 22, A bill to be entitled "An Act making an appropriation for use and benefit of the Lower Neches Valley Authority; designating who may sign warrants; providing for repayment to the State; and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

.Mr. Cleveland offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House Bill No. 22, Section 1, line 12, by substituting the words and figures "Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00)."

Mr. Nicholson offered the following substitute for the amendment by Mr. Cleveland:

Amend House Bill No. 22, Section 1, line 12, by substituting the words and figures, "Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00)."

(Pending consideration of the amendments, Mr. Kersey occupied the Chair temporarily.)
(Speaker in the Chair.)

Question recurring on the substitute amendment, it was adopted.

The amendment, as substituted, was then adopted.

By unanimous consent of the House, the caption of the bill was ordered amended to conform to all changes and with the body of the bill.

House Bill No. 22 was then passed to engrossment.

## MOTION TO PLACE HOUSE BILL NO. 22 ON THIRD READING

Mr. Nicholson moved that the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and that House Bill No. 22 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion was lost by the following vote (not receiving the necessary four-fifths vote):

## Yeas-68

Allen Evans Alsup Ferguson Avant Fuchs Baker Goodman Bean Halsey Bell Hardeman Blankenship Harris of Dallas Brown Hartzog Burnaman Heflin Cato Henderson Clark Hileman Coker Hoyo Colson, Mrs. Hutchinson Connelly Isaacks Crosthwait Kersey Daniel Kinard Dickson of Bexar Klingeman Dickson of Nolan Leyendecker Dove Lock Duckett Lowry Dwyer McAlister

McDonald Reed of Dallas McGlasson Ridgeway McMurry Sharpe Manford Shell Markle Skiles Smith of Bastrop Montgomery Smith of Atascosa Moore Morse Spacek Stinson Nicholson Pevehouse Thornton Phillips Weatherford Price White Winfree Rampy

## Nays-48

Kennedy Allison Knight Bailey Benton Lansberry Lehman Brawner Bullock Love Burkett Lucas Carlton McLellan Carrington Manning Craig Matthews Crossley Mills Davis Morgan Deen Morris Ellis Murray Eubank Pace Parker Favors Reed of Bowie Fitzgerald Roberts Gandy Garland Sallas Senterfitt Hanna Stanford Harris of Hill Hobbs Stubbs Turner Howington Walters Huffman Wattner Jones -

## Absent

Kelly Bridgers Bruhl King Bundy Lyle Celaya McCann Cleveland McNamara Files Rhodes Howard Roark Huddleston Spangler Hughes Vale Humphrey Whitesides

#### Absent-Excused

Anderson Helpinstill
Boone Little
Bray Martin
Chambers Simpson
Donald Taylor
Gilmer Voigt
Hargis

## HOUSE BILL NO. 9 ON SECOND READING

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 9, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the processing tax of one cent  $(1\phi)$  per gallon on all combustible condensates, such as refined gasoline, naphtha, casinghead gasoline, natural gasoline, drip gasoline, and all other combustible condensates of crude petroleum, natural gas, or any other product by any method of refining, manufacturing, processing, separating, exblending, tracting, compounding, or storing, whether manufactured within or without this State, by any person, agent, manufacturer, producer, corporation, partnership, association, or otherwise, in any refinery, manufacturing plant, processing plant, separating plant, extracting plant, compounding plant, blending plant, storage plant, or any other place or by any other method used for the purpose of producing or storing combustible condensates, etc.; and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Question: Shall House Bill No. 9 pass to engrossment?

## GRANTING EMPLOYEES OF THE HOUSE A HOLIDAY

Mr. Kersey offered the following resolution:

H. S. R. No. 216, Granting Employees of the House a Holiday.

Whereas, The Members of the House of Representatives will be in Houston, Texas, on Saturday, April 19, in order to attend the Gridiron Dinner; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That all employees of the House be dismissed for the period Friday, April 18, to Monday, April 21.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

## ADDITIONAL SIGNERS OF HOUSE BILLS

By unanimous consent of the State Treasury; providing for the House, the following members were allocation of the funds so accumu-

authorized to sign bills as coauthors of same, as follows:

Mr. Kelly: House Bill No. 821.

On motion of Mr. Bell and by unanimous consent of the House, permission was granted for any Member to sign House Bill No. 941.

#### HOUSE BILLS ON FIRST READING

The following House bills, introduced today, were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

## By Mr. Hileman:

H. B. No. 936, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that it shall be lawful in Cass County, Texas, for any person to kill, take, or have in his possession for barter or sale any wild fox or the pelts thereof from December 1 to December 31, inclusive, of any year; repealing all laws in conflict; and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Game and Fisheries.

### By Mr. Lock:

H. B. No. 937, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for a closed season for turkey in Angelina and Tyler Counties for five (5) years; prescribing a penalty for the violation of this Act, and repealing all laws in conflict."

Referred to Committee on Game and Fisheries.

By Mr. Favors, Mr. Reed of Bowie, Mr. Davis, Mr. Daniel, Mr. Price, Mr. Crossley, Mr. Craig, Mr. Eubank, Mr. Kersey, Mr. Goodman, Mr. McCann, Mr. Allison, Mr. Harris of Hill, Mr. Manning, Mr. Evans, Mr. Cato, Mr. McLellan, Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Huddleston, Mr. Sharpe, Mr. Stubbs, Mr. McMurry, Mr. Mills, Mr. Sallas, Mr. Lowry and Mr. Knight:

H. B. No. 941, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the deposit of moneys to the credit of a fund to be known as the "Social Security Account"; creating the Social Security Account in the office of the State Treasury; providing for the allocation of the funds so accumu-

lated; repealing all laws in conflict with this Act; and declaring an emergency."

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Kinard:

H. B. No. 943, A bill to be entitled "An Act regulating and prescribing limitations for all printing for the State of Texas and political subdiviestablishing the resions thereof; quirements of responsible bidders; prescribing penalties for the violations of the provisions of this Act; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith and declaring an emergency."

Referred to the Committee on Labor.

Mr. Kinard asked unanimous consent to introduce at this time and have placed on first reading House Bill No. 934.

There was no objection.

The Speaker then laid the bill before the House, it was read first time and referred to the appropriate committee, as follows:

By Mr. Kinard:

H. B. No. 934, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing amount of payment to the Executive Committee in order to have the name placed on official ballot for Representative in certain counties; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith to the extent of the conflict only; and declaring an emergency.'

Referred to the Committee on Privileges, Suffrage and Elections.

Mr. Ferguson asked unanimous consent to introduce at this time and have placed on first reading House Bill No. 935.

There was no objection.

The Speaker then laid the bill before the House, it was read first time and referred to the appropriate committee, as follows:

By Mr. Ferguson:

H. B. No. 935, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the Adjutant ment from the War Department to equip the Texas Defense Guard; making an appropriation of \$65,000 therefor; and declaring an emergency."

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. Ferguson asked unanimous consent to introduce at this time and have placed on first reading House Bill No. 938.

There was no objection.

The Speaker then laid the bill before the House, it was read first time and referred to the appropriate committee, as follows:

By Mr. Ferguson:

H. B. No. 938, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2940, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, so as to authorize school trustees, including rural school trustees, to act as judge, clerk or supervisor of any election; and declaring an emergency."

Referred to the Committee on Privileges, Suffrage and Elections.

Mr. Bell asked unanimous consent to introduce at this time and have placed on first reading House Bill No. 939.

There was no objection.

The Speaker then laid the bill before the House, it was read first time and referred to the appropriate committee, as follows:

By Mr. Bell:

H. B. No. 939, A bill to be entitled "An Act validating and approving all acts of the governing bodies of cities and towns of the State of Texas operating under the provisions of the General Laws of Texas and having a population of more than five thousand (5,000) in the issuance and sale of bonds, to aid in financing certain public improvements for which a loan or grant has been made by any agent or agency of the United States Government, including election orders, notices of elections, returns of elections, and orders canvassing election returns, including among others, instances wherein there have been irregulari-General to purchase arms and equip- ties in the giving of notice of elections, notwithstanding the fact that the notice of election was not published on the same day in each of two successive weeks; validating such bonds and the tax levies made for the payment of such bonds; providing the provisions hereof shall not apply to any such proceedings or obligations the validity of which has been contested in any pending suit or litigation; and declaring an emergency."

Referred to the Committee on Municipal and Private Corporations.

Mr. Manning asked unanimous consent to introduce at this time and have placed on first reading House Bill No. 940.

There was no objection.

The Speaker then laid the bill before the House, it was read first time and referred to the appropriate committee, as follows:

By Mr. Manning:

H. B. No. 940, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 3 of Article II of Chapter 495, Acts 1936, Forty-fourth Legislature, Third Called Session, as amended by Section 1 of Senate Bill No. 9, Acts 1939, Forty-sixth Legislature, Regular Session, page 541, to provide methods of determining the age of an applicant for or recipient of old age assistance; and declaring an emergency."

Referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Clark asked unanimous consent to introduce at this time and have placed on first reading House Bill No. 942.

There was no objection.

The Speaker then laid the bill before the House, it was read first time and referred to the appropriate committee, as follows:

By Mr. Clark:

H. B. No. 942, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 6, Chapter 2, Acts of Forty-second Legislature, Fourth Called Session, as amended by Section 9, Chapter 76, Acts of the Forty-fourth Legislature, Regular Session, and providing that the Railroad Commission shall limit Goodman

production of crude petroleum oil in this State to the reasonable market demand therefor, providing that the allowable production of oil shall be allocated among the pools in the State by the Railroad Commission; providing that the Railroad Commission shall ascertain the reasonable market demand; providing that certain factors shall be considered by the Railroad Commission in determining reasonable market demand; providing that certain factors shall be considered by the Railroad Commission in allocating and apportioning the allowable production of oil among the pools in this State; and declaring an emergency."

Referred to the Committee on Oil, Gas and Mining.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Morris moved that the House adjourn until 10:00 o'clock a. m. next Monday.

Question recurring on the motion to adjourn, yeas and nays were demanded.

The motion to adjourn prevailed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-80

Allison Hardeman Alsup Harris of Hill Avant Heflin Benton Henderson Brawner Hileman Bridgers Hobbs Brown Howington Bullock Hoyo Bundy Huddleston Burnaman Huffman Celava Hughes Clark Humphrey Cleveland Jones Colson, Mrs. Kersey Crossley Kinard Daniel Klingeman Deen Lansberry Dickson of Bexar Lehman Dove Levendecker Duckett Lock Dwyer Lowry Evans Lyle Ferguson McAlister Fitzgerald McDonald Fuchs McMurry Gandy McNamara Manford Markle

Matthews Sallas Mills Sharpe Montgomery Shell Morris Skiles Murray Smith of Bastrop Nicholson Smith of Atascosa Pace Thornton Phillips Walters Price Weatherford Ridgeway White Rhodes Whitesides

#### Nays-47

Winfree

Roberts

Kelly Allen Bailey Kennedy Baker King Bean Knight Bell Love Burkett Lucas Carlton McGlasson Carrington McLellan Cato Manning Coker Moore Connelly Morgan Craig Morse Crosthwait Rampy Davis Reed of Bowie Ellis Reed of Dallas Eubank Roark Favors Senterfitt Files Spacek Halsey Stanford Hanna Stinson Harris of Dallas Stubbs Hartzog Turner Hutchinson Wattner Isaacks

## Absent

Blankenship Parker
Bruhl Pevehouse
Dickson of Nolan Spangler
Howard Vale
McCann

### Absent-Excused

Anderson Helpinstill
Boone Little
Bray Martin
Chambers Simpson
Donald Taylor
Gilmer Voigt
Hargis

The House accordingly, at 4:40 o'clock p. m., adjourned until 10:00 o'clock a. m. next Monday.

### APPENDIX

## STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following Committees have filed favorable reports on bills, as follows:

Appropriations: House Bills Nos. 818 and 866.

Eleemosynary and Reformatory Institutions: House Bill No. 923.

Criminal Jurisprudence: House Bill No. 867.

Insurance: House Bill No. 385; Senate Bill No. 11.

State Affairs: House Bill No. 853.

Game and Fisheries: House Bill No. 932.

Judicial Districts: Senate Bill No. 432.

Counties: Senate Bill No. 433.

Judiciary and Uniform State Laws: House Bills Nos. 512, 625, 632 and 790.

School Districts: House Bill No. 691; Senate Bill No. 219.

The Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence filed an adverse report with minority favorable report on House Bill No. 443.

The Committee on State Affairs filed an adverse report on House Bill No. 326.

## REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE ON ENGROSSED BILLS

Austin, Texas, April 18, 1941.

Hon. Homer L. Leonard, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 25, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Chapter 277, Acts of the Regular Session of the Forty-second Legislature, as heretofore amended, by adding Sections 1a and 1b hereto; excepting from the definition of 'Motor Carrier' and 'Contract Carrier' certain persons, firms and corporations; exempting certain persons, firms and corpora-

tions transporting under certain circonditions cumstances andtheir own employees, property or property in which they have an interest as consignee or agent; defining a private motor vehicle owner; exempting private motor vehicle owners from said Act; providing for the repeal of all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act; providing that if any section, clause or provisions of this Act be held unconstitutional or invalid, it shall not affect the remaining portions; and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, April 18, 1941.

Hon. Homer L. Leonard, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. C. R. No. 95, Commending certain people for lending their aid in creating a greater demand for the use of cotton and urging others to lend their support of this work.

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, April 18, 1941.

Hon. Homer L. Leonard, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. C. R. No. 96, Authorizing the State Highway Department to lend to the City of Mineral Wells sufficient quantities of discarded wire to protect the fish life of Lake Mineral Wells.

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, April 18, 1941.

Hon. Homer L. Leonard, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engressed Bills, to whom was referred

H. C. R. No. 98, Authorizing the State Highway Department of Texas to lend to the City of Groesbeck certain equipment. Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, April 17, 1941.

Hon. Homer L. Leonard, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 926, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 1 of House Bill No. 820, Acts of 1931, Fortysecond Legislature, Special Laws, page 189, Chapter 88, to empower and authorize counties having a population of three hundred and ninety thousand (390,000) inhabitants or more and less than four hundred and fifty thousand (450,000) inhabitants, and containing a city having a population of two hundred and ninety thousand (290,000) inhabitants or more, according to the last preceding Federal Census, with such city to establish, own, and operate a parental home and school for the training of dependent and delinquent youth resident of that county or city; and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

BRIDGERS, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, April 18, 1941.

Hon Homer L. Leonard, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. C. R. No. 97, Providing for a Joint Session of the House and Senate at 10:30 on the morning of Friday, April 18, 1941.

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

BRIDGERS, Chairman.

REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED BILLS

Austin, Texas, April 18, 1941.

Hon. Homer L. Leonard, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 826, "An Act making it lawful to take or attempt to take any fish from the waters of the Peder-

nales River in Blanco County, Texas, by any method, means, or device equipped with more than two (2) hooks, including trot lines; repealing all laws in conflict and specifically that part of House Bill No. 33, Chapter 16, page 17, Acts of the Regular Session of the Forty-fifth Legislature, in conflict; and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly enrolled.

HOWINGTON, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, April 18, 1941.

Hon. Homer L. Leonard, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 816, "An Act to create Road District No. 7, of Lavaca County, Texas; defining its boundaries; conferring upon said Road District all the rights, powers, privileges, and duties now conferred and imposed by the General Laws of Texas upon road districts; providing that any territory within the bounds of said District, as created by this Act, shall remain chargeable with any and all outstanding bonded indebtedness heretofore voted by such territory; enprovisions incidental andnecessary to the subject and purpose of this Act; authorizing and empowering the Commissioners Court of Lavaca County, Texas, to proceed in the issuance of bonds of said District created by this Act in the manner provided by General Law for the issuance of road district bonds in ordinary road districts; providing that nothing in this Act shall be construed as affecting the organization and establishment of Road District No. 2, of Lavaca County, Texas, as created by Chapter 390, of the Special Laws passed by the Thirty-ninth Legislature of this State, at its First Called Session in 1926 (a portion of the territory of said District being included in Section 1, of this Act), but the said Road District No. 2 shall continue to operate as a defined road district over the territory included within its limits, described and defined in that certain order of the Commissioners Court Ωf Lavaca County, Texas, passed and adopted by said Court on the 14th day of April,

et seq., of the Minutes of the Commissioners Court of said County, and to which order reference is made by said Chapter 390, creating the said Road District No. 2; and nothing herein shall be construed as prohibiting the territory now included within said Road District No. 2 from hereafter issuing road bonds on its faith and credit, within the limitations prescribed by Section 52, Article 3, of the Constitution of this State; and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly enrolled.

HOWINGTON, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, April 18, 1941.

Hon. Homer L. Leonard, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 808, "An Act making it lawful to hunt, take, and kill squirrels in Sutton County, Texas, at any time and declaring an open season for hunting squirrels in such county; repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict; and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly enrolled.

HOWINGTON, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, April 18, 1941.

Hon. Homer L. Leonard, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 802, "An Act making it unlawful to kill or attempt to kill wild turkey or trap or molest same in Newton and Jasper Counties for a period of five (5) years; providing a penalty; repealing all conflicting laws; and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly enrolled.

HOWINGTON, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, April 18, 1941.

Hon. Homer L. Leonard, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

said Court on the 14th day of April, H. B. No. 794, "An Act making it 1919, recorded in Book M, page 160, unlawful, for a period of five (5)

years, to kill or take any raccoon or mink, or possess the green hide of same, or offer same for sale in Red River County; providing a penalty for violation of this Act; repealing conflicting laws; and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly enrolled.

HOWINGTON, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, April 18, 1941.

Hon. Homer L. Leonard, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 784, "An Act validating the incorporation of certain cities and towns of more than six hundred (600) and less than two thousand (2,000) inhabitants, heretofore incorporated and/or attempted to be incorporated under the General Laws of Texas, Title 28, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925; and validating all governmental proceedings performed by the governing bodies of such cities and towns since their incorporation or attempted incorporation, respectively; providing the provisions hereof shall affect no city or town now in litigation; and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly enrolled.

HOWINGTON, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, April 18, 1941.

Hon. Homer L. Leonard, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 755, "An Act providing that the closed season on fishing in Blanco County shall be for the months of February, March and April; providing that otherwise the fishing laws of House Bill No. 1114, Acts of the Forty-sixth Legislature, applying to Blanco County and certain other counties, shall be and remain in force in Blanco County; and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly enrolled.

HOWINGTON, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, April 18, 1941.

Hon. Homer L. Leonard, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 717, "An Act amending Chapter 56, page 806, Special Laws of the Forty-sixth Legislature, 1939, as it pertains to Menard County, Texas; prohibiting the taking of fish in Menard County with any device equipped with more than two (2) hooks, prohibiting the use of floats except in certain cases, except artificial bait used with a rod and reel and excepting a twenty (20) foot minnow seine for the purpose of taking minnows for bait; providing size limits and bag limits for fish taken in said County; providing a closed season during the months of March and April; prohibiting the sale of any fresh-water fish in said County; providing a penalty for any violation of this Act; prohibiting the taking of minnows for the purpose of sale or transporting more than two hundred (200) minnows from said County named in this Act; repealing all General and Special Laws in so far as they conflict with this. Act; and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly enrolled.

HOWINGTON, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, April 18, 1941.

Hon. Homer L. Leonard, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled. Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 409, "An Act to amend Article 1645, Title 34, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1925, as amended by Chapter 35, General and Special Laws passed at the First Called Session of the Fortieth Legislature, as amended by Chapter 28, General and Special Laws passed at the First Called Session of the Forty-first Legislature, as amended by Chapter 15, General and Special Laws, passed at the Second Called Session of the Forty-second Legislature, as amended by Chapter 4, Special Laws passed at the Regular Session of the Forty-

sixth Legislature, relating to the apcompensation of pointment andCounty Auditors in counties containing a population of thirty-five thousand (35,000) inhabitants, or over, according to the preceding Federal Census, or having a tax valuation of Fifteen Million Dollars (\$15,000,-000), according to the last approved tax rolls; and providing that in all counties of not less than ten thousand, three hundred and eighty (10,380) inhabitants and not more than ten thousand, three hundred and ninety (10,390) inhabitants according to the 1940 Federal Census, the Commissioners Courts thereof shall have the power to determine whether an Auditor for such county is a public necessity in the dispatch of the county's business, and if such Court determines that such necessity exists for such Auditor, it may appoint same, who shall qualify and perform the duties required of a County Auditor in this State, and such Commissioners Court shall have the power to discontinue such office at any time that it may determine that such Auditor be not a public necessity; and providing for additional compensation for the County Auditors in such counties having more than two hundred thousand (200,000) population and not more than three hundred thousand (300,-000) population according to the last Federal Census where there is a city and county hospital to care for city and county patients, and where a financial record for such hospital must be kept and reports made to the city and county; and providing that if any portion of this Act be declared unconstitutional or invalid, 97.

the remainder shall not be affected thereby; and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly enrolled.

HOWINGTON. Chairman.

Austin, Texas, April 18, 1941.

Hon. Homer L. Leonard, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. C. R. No. 97, Providing for a joint session of both Houses to hear a message from the Governor.

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly enrolled.

HOWINGTON, Chairman.

SENT TO THE GOVERNOR

April 17, 1941

House Concurrent Resolution No. 94.

April 18, 1941

House Bill No. 784.

House Bill No. 816.

House Bill No. 802.

House Bill No. 794.

House Bill No. 826.

House Bill No. 755.

House Bill No. 717.

House Bill No. 808.

House Bill No. 409.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 97.

## In Memory of

# Mrs. Lucy Taylor Mays

Mr. Hileman offered the following resolution:

H. S. R. No. 214, In Memory of Mrs. Lucy Taylor Mays.

Whereas, On December 26, 1940, the Almighty God called to rest from her earthly labors Mrs. Lucy Taylor Mays, wife of Samuel Chesley Mays, at the age of seventy years; and

Whereas, Mrs. Lucy Taylor Mays was the beloved mother of eleven children among which was the Honorable Abe Mays who served in the Forty-fifth and Forty-sixth Legislatures; that she was a woman well loved in her community and State, and was an example of pioneer spirit; now,

Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the House of Representatives of the State of Texas acknowledge with regret the passing of this wonderful mother and that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the memorial pages of the House Journal as a token of the love and esteem which was held for this fine mother; and

Be It Further Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the family of the deceased and that when the House adjourns today it do so in silent memory of Mrs. Lucy Taylor Mays.

HILEMAN, McCANN.

The resolution was read second time and was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.